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Climbing the Family Tree Reader searching for details on Baptiste/Baudrau family

I am trying to complete information on members of the Baptiste/Baudrau de Gravelle family. I really need help from the descendants.

Beginning with Pierre (Garson) Baptiste — dates of his birth and death are needed. Mary Berrieller, his wife, remarried Samuel J. Murphy after Pierre's death. Where are Pierre (Garson) Baptiste and Mary buried?

Their son, Pierre, married a Catherine (last name unknown). The only information I have on this Pierre is his birth date of Nov. 8, 1828. When did he die and where is he buried?

Another son, Joseph Soulange, was born Jan. 22, 1832, and married Catherine Johnson on Jan. 6, 1857. A death date is needed on Joseph. Birth and death date on Catherine are needed. Where are they buried?

Ursin Adolphe married Margaret Miles on Sept. 29, 1852. Ursin was born April 13, 1833. When did he die? What was Margaret's birth date?

Catherine Baptiste married Pierre Lombard Oct. 7, 1854. Catherine was born in 1837, and Pierre Lombard was born in 1827 in France. Does anyone know the exact month and day for each? When did Catherine and Pierre Lombard die?

Mary Baptiste was born in 1839. Does anyone know the month and day? Also needed are the death date and where buried. Whom did Mary marry and when?

David Baptiste was born in 1844 (need day and month). He married Josephine Craslin on Dec. 4, 1884. When did they die and where are they buried?

Louisa Baptiste was born Jan. 10, 1835, and died Dec. 28, 1904. She married John Henry Dean on Sept. 8, 1848. A death date is needed for John Henry.

Where are Louisa and John Henry buried? I have been told they were buried on their home place. Can anyone give me more information?

I would appreciate any information on any of Louisa and John Henry's children, especially Mary Martha who married Duncan Jamison; Caroline Magdalena (Adeline); Frances Amelia (who married Niels or Niles) Nilsson; James; Stanley; and Rachel. Louisa Baptiste and John Henry Dean are my direct line. I will be glad to share what records I have with others.

— Frances A. Ashcraft, 8206 Cottage Hill Road, Mobile, AL 36695, 251-633-7433.

ed to write a book.

I had acquired a notebook of the band, which was kept by Dan Drago, containing information on performances, payment records, rosters of members, instruments they

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Eugenia Parker



played and newspaper clippings of programs, etc. Unfortunately, the notebook only goes from 1904 to 1908.

I decided to compile

short biographies of mem-

bers of the band. So far,

I have about 50, including

female pianists. If anyone

could help answer the follow-

ing questions, it would be

greatly appreciated.

When did the band begin

playing in Mardi Gras pa-

rades? When did they stop?

Who was Riley? Who was C.

Johnson? William Brooks

played the clarinet. Was this

William Ross Brooks? Frank

Davidson was one of the mu-

sicians who also owned a

shoe shop. Did Frank have

any descendants?

Eugenia Bailey, wife of

Manassas Bailey, was one of

the female pianists. Does

anyone have any information

on Eugenia? Was Eugenia

(Florida) Bailey the same as

Florida Garner on the 1880

Mobile County Census?

If anyone has any informa-

tion on any of the above per-

sons or anything they might

have to add on the Drago

Band, please contact me.

— Bill Cummings, 6290

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Wells speaker at Genealogical Society

The regular monthly meeting of the Benton Genealogical Society took place April 4 in the Ayers Auditorium on the second floor of the Anniston-Calhoun County Public Library, corner of Wilmer and 10th streets in Anniston, Ala.

Elizabeth Wells, head librarian of Samford University, appeared as the guest speaker. Wells talked about church records and how to use them.

Alabama Archives adds to 1867 database

The Alabama Department of Archives and History has updated the 1867 registration database online. Entries for the counties of Lee, Lowndes, Limestone, Hale and Jefferson are now available.

Currently all entries for Washington, Wilcox, Winston, Walker, Tuscaloosa, Tallapoosa, Talladega, Sumter, St. Clair, Shelby, Russell, Randolph, Pike, Pickens, Perry, Macon, Madison, Morgan, Marion, Mobile, Marshall, Marengo, Monroe, Montgomery, Lauderdale and Lawrence counties are available.

Visit the Web site at www.archives.state.al.us/voterreg/index.cfm.

Climbing the Family Tree is a weekly feature designed to help our readers who have come to the end in family tree research. If you need help from our readers, write: Climbing the Family Tree, c/o Eugenia Parker, P.O. Box 9136, Mobile, AL 36691.

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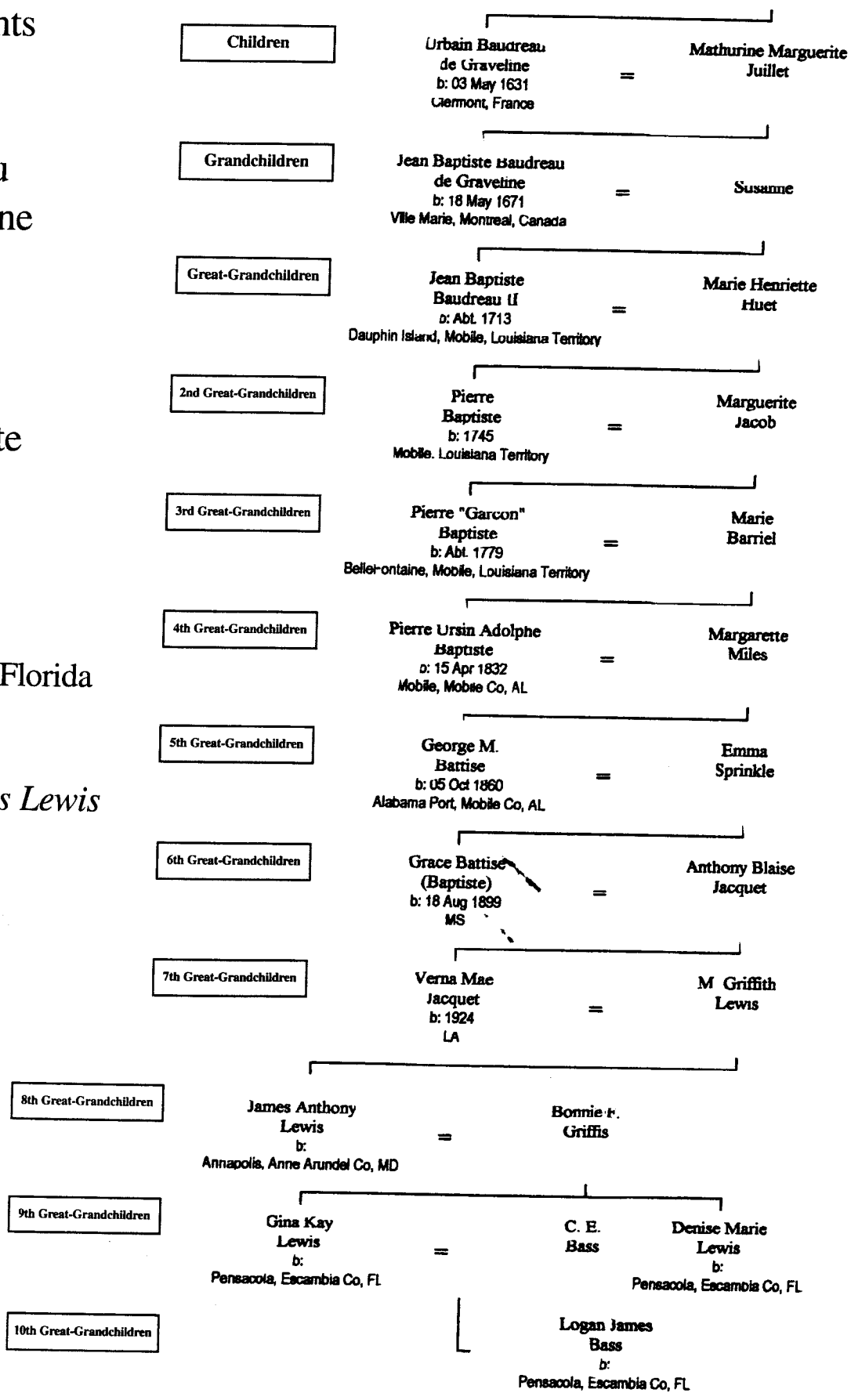
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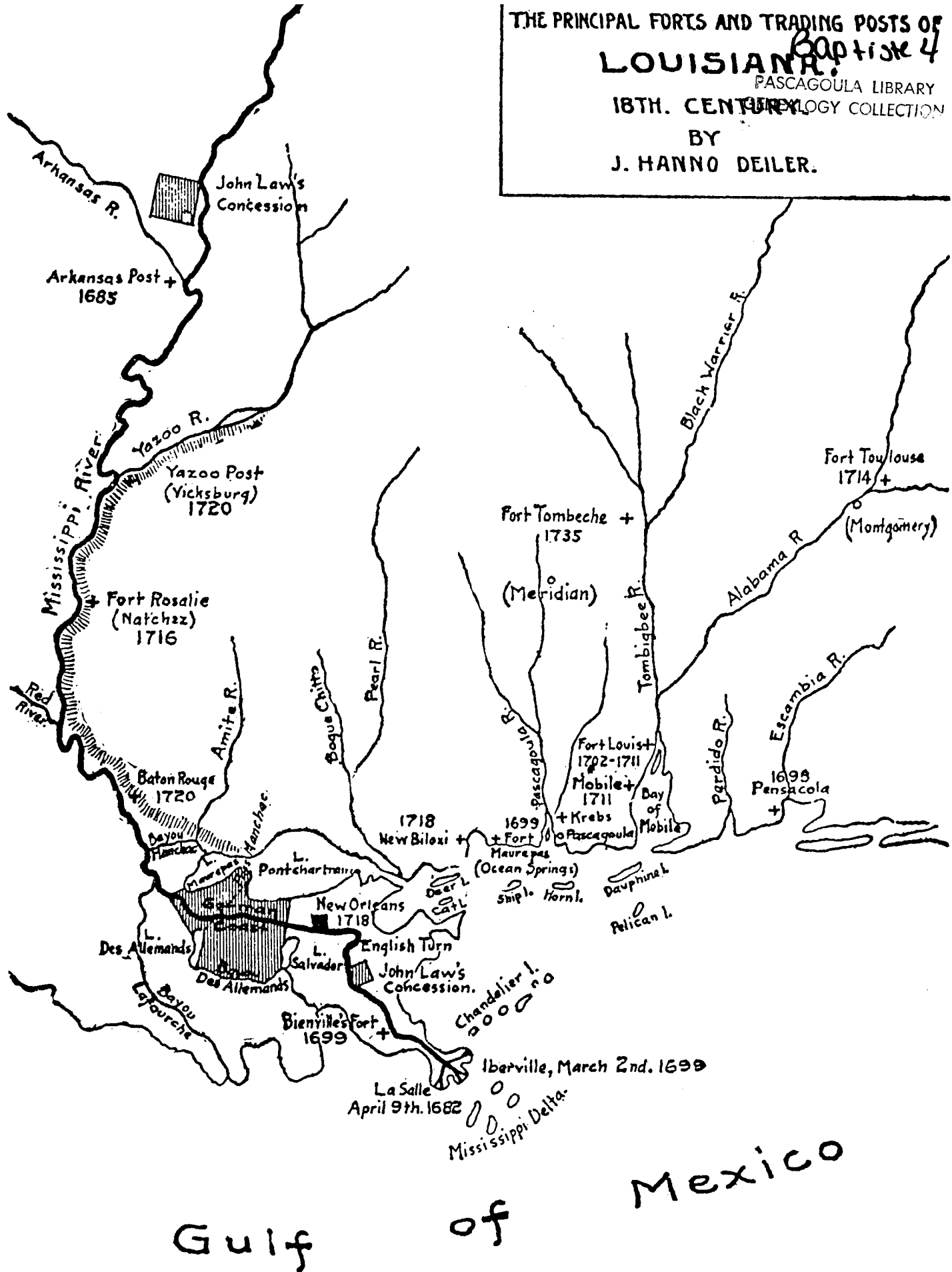
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THE PRINCIPAL FORTS AND TRADING POSTS OF
LOUISIANA
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 J. HANNO DEILER.





The Baudreau Family

Jean Baptiste Baudreau Graveline

Prominent Ancestor to Gulf Coast Descendants and an earliest Colonial of Louisiana

by Rev. Brother Jerome Lepré

Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline was baptized in Montreal on 18 May 1671, the son of Urbain and Mathurine Juillet. Little did those attending this baptism realize what an important part Jean Baptiste would play in the settlement of the Biloxi-Pascagoula area, in fact in the whole Louisiana colony. As will be seen, he was un-

daunted in his efforts to personally succeed in his business ventures. Yet, he saw to it that these same successes would also redound to the benefit of the colony.

Jean Baptiste descended from two rather ancient families, the Baudreaus and the Juillots. His penchant for travel and business seem to have been inherited from his grandfather and his Dad, for they forsook their own native country to begin a new life in New France, something he did in Louisiana.

Blaise Juillet was born in Avignon, France, a beautiful area in Provence, through which flows the Rhone River. It was the former seat of government for the French

Popes during the previous century and a half. The large papal buildings still standing attest to the importance of that period in French history. Blaise was baptized on 26 February 1611 in the church of St. Agricole, which still stands in the city center.

On 26 February 1611, I baptized Blaise, son of

Master Jean Juillet and Gabriela Barbarino. Godparents are Blaise, Master-, and Catherine Bandeto. In witness whereof.
Rev. Curate

His father and mother, Jean and Gabrielle Barbarin were married in another old Avignon church two years earlier on 18 June 1609, that of St. Symphorien.

On 18 June 1609, after the publication of the three banns, were joined in matrimony Jean Juillet and Gabriela Barbarino. Witnesses were Jean Labritio and Jeanne Pichrat. In witness whereof.
Rev. Scuderius, Curate

Blaise would grow up in the town, a rather quaint town of seventeenth century France. The author was fortunate to visit both churches and eventually obtained the two documents above.

In 1644 at the age of thirty-three Blaise set out for the New World. Before leaving LaRochelle, Blaise hired himself out as a woodcutter for a period of three years at an annual salary of seventy-five pounds. His passage to and from the New World were also included in the deal. He apparently had begun to love the area for when an eleven-year period was over, he accepted a concession at Ville Marie, the original name of Montreal, title for which was eventually given him in 1650. In the year following, his resolution to remain in New France, Blaise married Antoinette Liercourt who had come to New France from the city of Beauvais. As in many cases with old documents, their marriage record has long since disappeared. The marriage contract is

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Editor's note:

We are fortunate to have this article by Brother Jerome Lepré because it links together various articles written on this subject in the past. For the unfamiliar reader, it provides an easy comprehension due to its general overview and summary of important historical events, especially for the relatives and the hundreds of thousands of descendants of the fascinating Jean Baptiste Baudreau Graveline, Sr.



Sieur d'Iberville's ship *Marin* entering Biloxi Bay in 1699, rendered by the artist J. Moran. Jean Baptiste Baudreau Graveline was aboard one of d'Iberville's vessels landing on the Mississippi Gulf coast.

Courtesy of Randall Ladnier, Sarasota, Florida

extant in the minutes of the Notary Ameau of Canada for the year 1651. Her parents were Phillippe and Jeanne Patin. According to Census records, Antoinette was seventeen years old when she married Blaise, who was forty. They were the parents of four children.

Mathurine	b. 31 Dec. 1651	m. Urbain Baudreau-Graveline
Marie	b. 25 Nov. 1653	m. Pierre Lecuyer
Charles	b. 18 May 1656	m. Catherine Saintard
Louis	b. 11 Oct. 1658	m. Catherine Celle

Inasmuch as Blaise lived at Ville Marie, he participated in its varied activities while rearing his family.

In a land where some natives were hostile to whites,

the colonists at Ville Marie were constantly reminded of that fact by attacks on the defense forces or on those who ventured too far into the woods. The Iroquois in particular were a warlike group. But because of the excellent leadership of General de Maisonneuve, the small but determined group of colonists was able to withstand the assaults of the Indians. Added to the loss of men in these assaults were the numbers of women who died. The severe winters of the region were most difficult for even these hardy pioneers.

In time a decision was made to deal with the Indian problem. The leader, Maisonneuve, gathered about him a small band of strong young unmarried men who volunteered to carry the war against the Iroquois to their own turf. One of the volunteers was Blaise Juillet, despite the fact that he had four children. The decision must have been difficult for Antoinette. Regardless, the brave group, after having received the sacraments, departed by canoe on the St. Laurence River on 19 April 1660.

On their way to the Iroquois,, they were attacked by those Indians dashing out of the woods on Nun's Island. In this attack Blaise and two others were jumped on and killed. Inasmuch as there is no extant account of the action, it must be presumed that the Indians wreaked vengeance on their bodies. The small band who survived held prayer service for the men. Blaise's body was never recovered. Needless to say, he remains as one of the heroes of Ville Marie. For to him and his companions, as well as those who followed, the city of Montreal owes its existence. Antoinette remarried on 30 June 1660 to Hugues Picard.

The Baudreau family originated in the town of Clermont, about one hundred fifty miles southwest of Paris.

This small town remains substantially as it was in the days of Urbain Baudreau who was born (circa 1631) and reared within its confines. But then as now, there is not much to lure its young to remain there. In this light one can understand why Urbain left for New France. The void between rich and poor was too great. And a better chance for a prosperous living could be gained elsewhere.

Because of the persistent attacks by the Iroquois from the 1640's, there was a constant recruitment for the colony. It was in one of these recruiting forays by the Governor and others in 1653 that Urbain joined the group. He was about 22 years old at the time and probably anxious to leave Clermont. Many of his local countrymen joined him in coming to New France. They were to help put the colony on a sound basis by practicing a trade and successfully countering the Iroquois attacks. Of the 103 who came in 1653 on the "St. Nicholas," there were represented 25 trades and professions.

In the autumn of 1662 there were rumors of attacks to come from the Indian tribes. To be well prepared for the possibility of attacks, Maisonneuve, the Governor, asked for every able bodied man to join one of the several squads of seven men and to elect one among them as Corporal of the Squad. Urbain was elected Corporal of his squad. These troops were called the Holy Family Militia. Despite several deaths at the hands of the Indians, these squads of dedicated men truly set the stage for the evolution from Ville Marie to Montreal.

Inasmuch as Urbain was single when he left France, he remained so until 20 October 1664, when he took as his bride Mathurine Juillet, daughter of Blaise and Antoinette de Liercourt. Their marriage is recorded in the Canadian Archives.

His first home was built on what is present day Montreal near Notre Dame Street on two lots which he had purchased in 1687. In another purchase in 1689 in the St. Francis area, he built another home, where he moved his family. Since this land was further out, he made best use of it in farming. In a later purchase of property from Mr. de Hautmesnil, again near Notre Dame Street, Urbain made use of the property then sold it to Pierre Ducharme, his son-in-law.

Inasmuch as the company which was in charge of the settlement of Ville Marie had asked married couples to have as many children as God would give them, so as to insure the continuity of the colony, Urbain and Mathurine had a rather large family, the members of which follow:

Gabriel bp. 24 July 1666

Marie Ursule bp. 8 Dec.
Jean Baptiste bp. 18 May 1671
Elizabeth bp. 3 May 1673
Marie Anne bp. 29 Aug.
Paul bp. 19 May 1682
Marie Madeleine bp. 19 June 1686
Jean bp. 13 June 1690

Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline, the third child of Urbain and Mathurine, grew up in the family home in Montreal. Like many of the other young men his age, he became interested in the water and its eventual travel and adventure. After spending some years with his family, he joined a group of Canadians, led by Pierre Le Moyne d'Iberville, who were to be the first permanent settlers of the Louisiana territory on the Gulf Coast. One of the objectives of this group was to find the Mississippi river and claim by settlement the whole area.

Securing the whole area was quite an undertaking, but it was accomplished by these hardy men. Their first settlement in the Biloxi-Ocean Springs area was at Biloxi Bay. The Old Fort at Ocean Springs provided some protection for the men who were left there by Iberville. After a two-year stay in the Biloxi area, Iberville moved to a new location at Mobile, Alabama. Graveline and others followed.

It was after Jean Baptiste had received several large grants of land in the Pascagoula area that he decided to get involved in farming. He owned thousands of acres by grant west of the Pascagoula River. Here he had a large home, some slaves, cattle and several boats. Inasmuch as he could see that there was a good living in farming, though not a good fortune, this is what he did in a limited way until he went blind, sometime in the 1750's.

Graveline was the energetic type. He was not lazy. When he found himself in means, after a few short years, he began to travel, trade and raise cattle. All of these activities made of Jean Baptiste a wealthy, yet respected, colonial. His knowledge of the Indians would enable him to extend his financial dealings with the tribes. Naturally, the strength of farming would fade and be continued on a limited scale.

Besides the Indians, Jean Baptiste found ways of dealing with the Spaniards, not too far away on the gulf Coast at Pensacola. This plus the possibility of dealing in minerals would help Baudreau increase his holdings. Or so he thought.

Being enthusiastic about the possibilities in furs, Graveline purchased a boat on a trip to France, the "Mar-

guerite," and invited his brother Gabriel to come get involved. Gabriel came but his stay was cut short when he found out that his brother had to sell the "Marguerite."

By 1714 Jean Baptiste had settled on Dauphin Island, off the coast of present day Mobile Alabama, where he began a cattle industry and lived well in a new home on the island.

About 1709 Jean Baptiste had two children by a woman named Suzanne. It is said that she was from France, but given the exact records usually found in France, she should have a surname. It is the author's point of view that she was an Indian, and probably the one who bore Jean Baptiste, Jr., and perhaps Magdeleine. On the son's marriage, it is said that her name was Suzanne from LaRochelle. It is quite possible that Jean Baptiste, Jr.'s sister, Magdeleine, was born of another Indian, unnamed as we shall see. Magdeleine became the mother of a large descendancy on the Gulf Coast. Jean Baptiste, Sr. was constrained to marry his son's mother so as to legitimize him in the eyes of the law.

In the meantime between 1710-1720, Jean Baptiste had become quite prosperous. His home became the West Pascagoula area, west of Mobile and on the Coast, where he remained until his death. In a all Jean Baptiste married three times. The last marriage was not a successful one and was complicated by the fact that Jean Baptiste has lost his sight.

Jean Baptiste's later years were hard on him, not only because of the blindness but because of the dissolute life of his son. Despite the fact that Jean Baptiste Jr. had a wife of his own, he took up with Henriette Huet, and it seems had several children with her. Later he led or participated in an insurrection. On being caught, he was brought to new Orleans where with a guilty verdict, he was broken on the wheel. This made his father's retirement a torture.

The last known will made by Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline was found in the National Archives in Washington among papers accumulated to study the succession to his huge land holdings, made in 1814. The date of the will is 16 September 1750, some years before his death. It is interesting to note that from other sources Jean Baptiste had gone blind in his later years. This fact and the natural love of a father for his son may have caused him to write a later will, but no such will has come to light. Throughout this will there is a fundamental love for his son, despite this final determination to disinherit him. The old man seems to have endured so much suffering yet gave the son countless chances to change.

This sixteenth day of September, on thousand seven hundred and fifty, before the royal Notary of the Province of Louisiana, dwelling in New Orleans and in presence of the undersigned witnesses, there personally appeared John Baptiste Baudreaux dit Graveline, generally residing at a place called La Belle Fontaine at Old Beloxy. He has declared and said that he has come here expressly to arrange and finally adjust his affairs, temporal as well as spiritual.

He appeared to us today at nine o'clock in the morning in good health, enjoying sound mind and memory. He is of a very advanced age, and, fearing to be overtaken by death and remote from all assistance, he wishes to put in order a sufficient portion of his worldly affairs, whilst he is of sound mind. He says and declares to us that he was born in Montreal, Canada, and that he came to this colony with Mr. Iberville. He says that he believes that out of a hundred who came with him, he is the only living person.

He states that he had carnal communication with a squaw of the Indian Nation (a daughter of a great chief) and had a son, who is about thirty years of age at the present time, It is this consideration which compelled him to marry the said squaw in presence of our Mother, the Roman Catholic and Apostolic Church, acting the part of a true Christian with the intention of doing good toward his son, John Boudreaux.

The severe language and bad conduct which his son has shown him puts him under the necessity of disinheriting him. The son attempted taking his life many times by putting his fist upon his father's throat, threatening to kill him along with other threats, calling him an old "Buggar" and daily seeking his destruction. His whole aim tends toward his father's ruin, as always. He has rendered his father considerable injury, and he is vexed to see him yet on this earth able to enjoy and consume some of the little property which remains out of his holdings, property which he barely saved.

He says that he has a godson named John Baptist Brasillier, son of Jean Baptist Brasillier, who assists him in all his necessities and aids him in everything, without whom he would undergo a miserable death. He has no other recourse than to stay with his godson, because his unfortunate son never comes to his house but to pillage and threaten his life, compelling him this day (not wishing to place his unfortunate son in the hands of justice, as he could do) to abjure him as his son. He wishes and desires that the said Brasillier, Jr., his godson, be and remain his general legatee and enjoy generally all his property, that he may have in this colony or elsewhere, without, for sufficient reasons, the said Boudreaux, interfering in any matter whatsoever;

looking upon him as a miserable wretch, who does not deserve all the property that he has accumulated for his son since the son came into the world, no more than his wife, who has ill-treated him and does daily abuse him when she has an opportunity to do so. Both of them are unnatural and without any sentiment of Christianity.

This instrument breaks and annuls all other wills and codicils that he may have made prior to this one. He wishes and desires that the present one only remain in force, notwithstanding the want of formality, which might be required in regard to the disinheritance of John Beaudreaux. He wishes for this reason that the present instrument be, in this place, a declaration of justice to the repugnance he feels in letting the said son perish. He leaves it, moreover, to God, the Almighty Father, to punish him according to his merits. If Divine Providence does not touch his conscience, he will beseech the Lord to be please to convert him, without which he will despair of his coming to a good end.

Since he has before made some gifts in writing, he declares them null and void, that it was an act of weakness on his part to sign deeds of gift. He desires that only the present instrument remain to be executed according to its form and tenor, not regarding from henceforth the said John Boudreaux, any more than his wife and their children, as but a degenerate race, having never merited any of the attentions which he paid to them, Their names up to the present day only tended to his total ruin by the frequent pillage they made of his house and from which they never profited. This was occasioned by their great dissipation, especially Beaudreaux's, who is confirmed in every vice, in all sorts of debauchery, which is well known, unfortunately, by the whole colony.

Graveline begs, also, of his general legatee, in whose favor he bequeaths his property at his death, to pray to God for the repose of his soul, which he leaves to his prudence and generosity. He knows his goodness, which he has said and repeated after several amendments, without wishing to increase or diminish anything, it being his last will and testament.

LeNormand, Sheriff, witness, here dwelling, has read this paper and understood that it is Boudreaux's last will, without making any alteration in it. He signed it as well as Beaudreaux.

Renner, Notary

Chantalou
Lernormant
Baudrau

Magdelaine, Jean Baptiste's daughter, a direct ancestor of the Fountain family, must have remained with her mother

in her early years, for there is no account of her baptism in the well-kept records of the Mobile Cathedral. The first we hear of her is at the time of her wedding to Pierre Paquet in August, 1726. She was probable born between 1708-1711. (Mob., MB 1, page 6)

On 26 august 1726, after having published one bann and having given dispensation for the two additional banns, between Pierre paquet, son of the deceased Pierre Paquet and Martha Coular, resident of Fort Condé at Mobile, and Magdeleine, the natural daughter of Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit Graveline, resident on the Pascagoula River, belonging to this parish, and an Indian, I, a Capuchin Apostolic Missionary Priest, in my function as Pastor of Mobile, in the Province of Louisiana, have veiled and received their mutual consent and have given them the nuptial blessing in the home of the said Baudrau dit Graveline, and was brought there for this purpose. In the presence of the undersigned witnesses, with me they made their mark.

Signed: Father Matthias, Capuchin

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EtienneFievre

+ Rene Labourdin

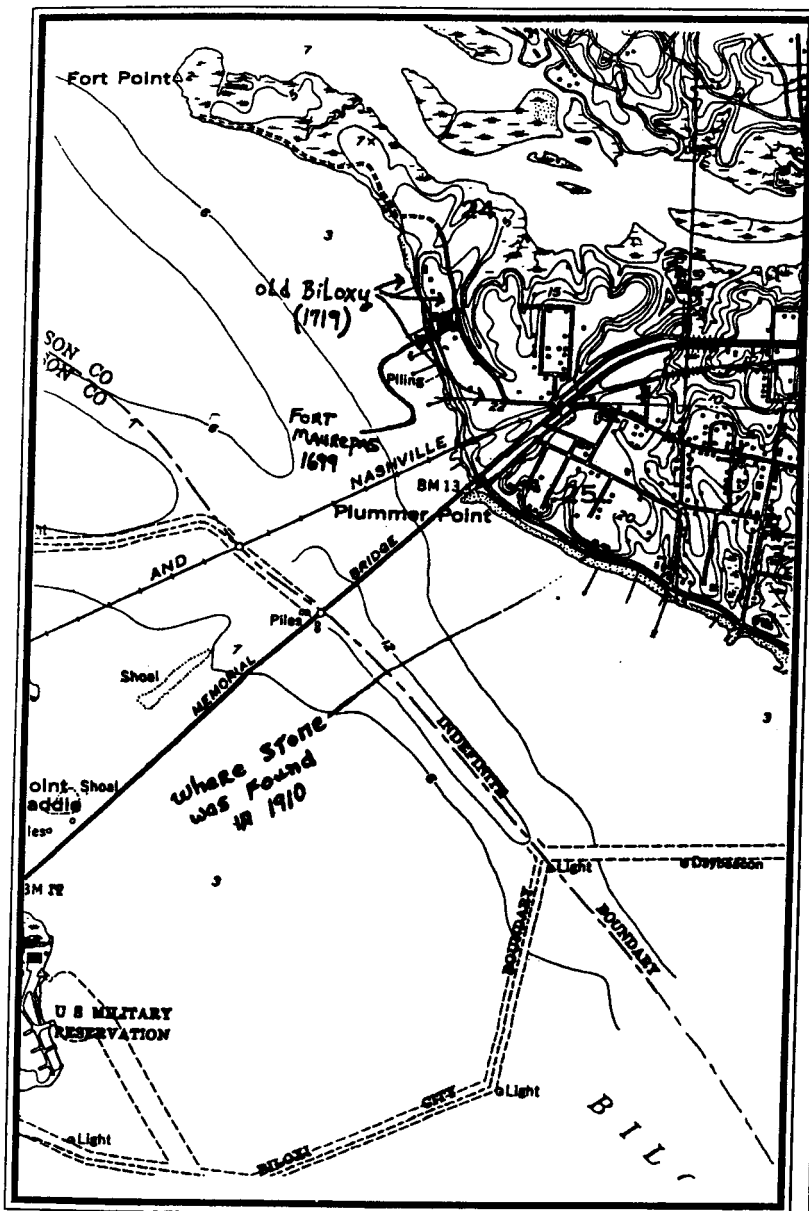
+ Michel Paquet (uncle)

Pierre Paquet was the son of Pierre and Martha Coular. The elder Pierre originated in France, the city of Angers. He seems to have emigrated to Mobile in the first decade of the 1700's and settled very near Fort Louis, the heart of old Mobile. He was a tailor and practiced his profession there. Martha Coular rests in obscurity. Nothing is known of her. However, it is highly likely that Pierre met her in Canada, married there, then came to the Colony of Louisiana. Pierre and his son were called on in several instances to be godfather to several children, as one can see in the Mobile Cathedral Archives.

While on a business trip to new Orleans, Pierre, Sr., died there in 1726. Pierre, his son, went to New Orleans to take care of the burial and then returned to Mobile for his marriage two weeks later.

The marriage record indicates clearly that Magdeleine was Jean Baptiste Baudrau's daughter, and, that he seems more than happy to recognize her as his daughter, even to bringing the priest at his home in Pascagoula for the ceremony. In those days, marriages took place all over the Coast. And this on involved a particularly well-to-do plantation owner and a person of some importance in the Colony. There is no mention in the record of the mother of Magdelaine, except that Magdelaine was the daughter of Jean Baptiste "and an Indian."

The Indian connection in this family and their descen-



Map of Fort Maurepas and Old Biloxi
courtesy of Jay Higginbotham

From Canada, the first colonists arrived on the Mississippi Gulf Coast on February 10, 1699. A small squadron of five vessels, flying a royal navy blue banner with a field of golden fleur-de-lys under the leadership of the valiant Pierre Lemoyne d'Iberville set foot three days later on the Mississippi mainland. They began their search for a homeland, with Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline among them.

Days later a party entered the Biloxi Bay, named in honor of the Indians who were found there, and satisfied with what they saw- they selected their site. By the sixth of May the first fort of Louisiana ready to be occupied. Overlooking Biloxi Bay, Fort Maurepas became the first French colonial headquarters south of Montreal.

dants is still a source of strong, animated discussion among descendants of Martha and her sister, Marianne. This connection and its many ramifications have been explained in another article by the author in the November, 1980 issue of the Journal of Mississippi History, Vol. XLIII, No. 4 pp. 362-376, entitled "The Indian Connection Among Gulf Coast Families."

Pierre and Magdelaine made their home in Mobile on the Bay. Born to this marriage was Martha. In a liaison with Alexander St. Martin (Chenet) she bore three other children: Francois, Marie Anne and Magdelaine.

Of these children, Marianne would marry Nicolas Ladner, son of Christian Ladner and Marie Barbe Brunel (Brunet?) of the Pascagoula area. Marianne's granddaughter, Julienne Ladner, would become the wife of Francois Fontaine.

Jean Baptiste Baudreau Graveline is said to have died in 1762 at the age of 91, though there is no extant document to validate this date. In any event, he was a man far beyond his days in his ideas of commerce, cattle breeding and shipping. His contributions to the early colonization of the Louisiana colony are of great magnitude, particularly in the many descendants he has left to posterity.

(Much of the foregoing material was gleaned from several well written articles in "The Descendants," a periodical published by the Urbain Graveline Genealogical Association, Inc., of Palmer, Massachusetts. The articles of greatest use were "Our French Ancestors Come to North America" by Robert Graveline, Vol. 8, #2 and Vol. 6, #1; "Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline - A Remarkable Man." by Mary Louise Adkinson, Vol. 6, #1; "Urbain Baudreau Graveline and the Holy Family Militia at Montreal," by Sr. Emilia Chicoine, C.N.D. Vol. 8, #1; "A Tour of Graveline history in France" by Robert Graveline.



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Diane has just finished filming "Charles War", in which, she co-stars with Ms. Olympia Dukakis and Lynn Redgrave. The film is set to be released early next year. She is currently finishing her health book, "Spiraling Through the School of Life". Please check back, for we will be posting the release date/information shortly.

Diane Ladd was born: Rose Diane Ladner November 29, 1932 in Laurel/Meridian, Mississippi The beautiful Diane Ladd

 and Diane Ladd's beautiful talented daughter actress Laura Dern  Born: Laura Dern daughter of Diane Ladd and Bruce Dern was born in 1967 California.

Family: Mother, Mary Garey Husband, Robert C. Hunter Children, Laura Dern Amy Oleson Brandon Hunter Emily Hunter Because of her diverse talent, Diane Ladd has been called a national treasure and Time Magazine's Richard Corliss says, "Diane Ladd is one of the top ten actresses not only in this country, but in the whole world." Her career of just over forty years has spanned the spectrum of performing arts: song, dance, theater, television and of course, the silver screen. She's also a screenwriter, novelist and nutritionist using her talents to enhance both today's society as well as individuals seeking personal insight and spiritual growth. To quote a very famous director when asked why Diane could do what others had failed to do, "Because she is Diane Ladd."

Diane's heritage traces back to France when her great grandfather, Pas Lanier and three brothers came to America on passage given them by King Louis XIV. Venturing south from the New England coast, they traveled south to Georgia where two brothers settled while Pas and another brother moved on to Mississippi before settling. There he took a Cherokee Indian Princess for his wife who gave him a son, Christian. They named their homestead after their son and still today the town of Pas Christian carries his name. The remaining brother settled in what's now Biloxi and married an Indian Chief! Nooooo, not a man, a woman! Evidently the Chief made his eldest daughter the Chief having no sons fit for the task! Diane was the only child of Preston Paul Ladner, whose grandfather had changed the family name for unknown reasons from Lanier to Ladner, and Mary Bernadette Ladner. Her father was a veterinarian specializing in poultry, developing his own remedies which he sold throughout a five state area. Soon after her birth, the family moved to Meridian, Mississippi where she attended school and developed her keen interest in others. As a child, she traveled with her father as he called on his customers. Diane's eye and heart found a disparity in lifestyles as she saw other children who had no shoes, families that had no radio let alone TV, and many people who didn't have enough to eat. She distinctly remembers an Indian couple that had so little to eat they were cooking grass! Her innate sense of responsibility drove her to commit to God, "If you'll help me use my talents, I'll devote my career to revealing the images of the truth in human nature." With that she struggled between four paths, an actress/singer/dancer, a writer/director, a District Attorney and a leper missionary. Fortunately for us, she pursued the first two options.

Her first performance was at age thirteen in a school play. She won the lead role and was hooked! She remembers feeling the audience and felt her first connection with large groups of people. At sixteen, she graduated from St. Aloysius Academy and enrolled in finishing/modeling school in New Orleans. She studied singing, dancing, fencing and acted in Community Theater. On weekends, she modeled professionally and sang jazz and blues with Dixie Hi-De-Ho-Joe and His Dixieland Band. She won a scholarship to Louisiana State University to study law, but followed her heart to a theatrical career. She was spotted during a performance at the Gallery Circle Theater by a touring cast member of John Carradine's Tobacco Road and was hired as a replacement for the San Francisco production. Later that year, Diane auditioned for a role at New York's famed Copa Cabana and became a Copa Girl. She continued to study acting and as she auditioned for the famed Actor's Studio in New York, playwright Michael Gazzo, author of A Hatful of Rain, spotted her and convinced producer Jay Julian and director Frank Corsaro to audition her for the role of Putski in his play. She was the hands-down choice and toured in her first Equity role in the last six months of the national tour with Ben Gazzarra. While beckoned home by her mother and ailing father, a penniless Diane realized her dream would evaporate should she return, so she vowed to stick it out. She won a role in her cousin's -Tom Lanier Williams a.k.a. Tennessee Williams - Orpheus Descending. The cast was promised if they got good reviews, they could take this production "off Broadway." Though audiences loved the play, Diane was shocked that no newspapers reviewed Equity Library Theater Productions. True to her take-charge form, she called the New York Times and pleaded for a review. They did, wrote rave reviews and from that day forward reviewed Equity Library productions! They were on their way!

However, a second shock shook her: the play had been made into a movie starring Marlon Brando, Joanne Woodward and Anna Magnana and the studio didn't want a dinky, off Broadway production detracting from their run. Diane called her cousin Tom and pleaded, "You've been trying to make this play a hit for twenty years. You had a run on Broadway as Something Wild in the Country and it's never had the success you want. Come see our troupe do it and if you don't like it, I'll eat it without ketchup!" Well, Tennessee Williams came to director Adrian Hall's living room and saw their performance. He shot a telegram to his agent insisting the production run!

But there was yet another "test" ahead: they didn't have the money to produce the play! The director and producer found a backer to fund the show if his wife could have the Diane's role, Carol Cutrere, and pleaded with her to give up the part. Her "No way!!" response prompted her to find the money herself. She talked a judge into putting up half the money and a group of Wall Street Investors to put up the other half. The rest is history: Cousin Tom had his hit and Diane Ladd began her career with rave reviews! During this time she met and married actor Bruce Dern, later divorcing in 1969. In 1972, she costarred in

an off Broadway show Noisy Passengers, written by Shelley Winters, starring Robert De Niro. On opening night, the play was shut down due to an Equity strike. Trapped in New York! Shortly thereafter, Diane met and began dating a stockbroker, William Shea, Jr. and married him in April 1973. Making their residence in New York, Diane accepted the role of Kitty Styles, a regular on the series Secret Storm. Diane divorced in 1976.

In 1976, Diane Ladd was nominated for an Academy Award for Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore. She lost the Oscar to Ingrid Bergman, which, as Diane points out, "isn't chopped liver!" Diane did, however, win the British Academy Award over Miss Bergman in England! Diane returned to the stage, starring at the Kennedy Center's Eisenhower Theater in their biggest hit to date in Lu Ann Hampton Lavyer Oberlander, one of Preston Jones' renowned Texas Trilogy. Six months later, Diane's play went to Broadway and earned magnificent, rave reviews. In 1979, after several films, Diane was enticed by Warner Brothers to come on board the Alice TV series. In the original film, "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore," Diane created the role of Flo, played on television by Polly Holiday who was spun-off into her own series. Diane didn't want to play Flo again, so she and the writers created Isabel, nicknamed Belle who wore bell earrings. Just like Diane, Belle hailed from Mississippi and was a would-be songwriter/singer. Diane and her father, Preston, wrote the songs she sang in the series. On the first night of the series, the show took all three major cities' top national ratings and was seen by viewing audience of 75 million, up from 35 million previously. Diane stayed with the show just over a year, doing two and a half seasons of shows and winning a Golden Globe for her performance.

In 1982 she returned to New Orleans as the Empress of the Argus Krewe in the Mardi Gras Parade. Her court included Miss Alabama, Miss Mississippi and Miss America, Susan Powell. The just-returned hostages from Iran were her honored guests as she reigned over Mardi Gras festivities. In 1984 Diane was selected as show business' representative on an eleven woman fact-finding tour of Central America. She joined such notables as Congresswoman Bella Abzug and Jacqueline Jackson, the Rev. Jesse Jackson's wife along with Councilwoman Gloria Molina, the ACLU's Ramona Ripston, Native American representative Roxanne Dunbar, presidential candidate Sonya Johnson, president of the Center for Gender Equality, Faye Wattleton and Sister Maureen Fidler among others. This trip made an indelible impression on Diane, reminiscent of her trips as a child, seeing those less fortunate, rife with poverty, with people and governments struggling to find their way in the world order. On her return, she took time to speak throughout the U.S., an advocate for understanding and clearly defined solutions to extend peace and prosperity throughout the world.

During this time Diane wrestled with acting as a profession or directly helping others in hospitals and clinics. She spent a great deal of time studying nutrition, receiving a Counselor's Certificate from the State of Florida and was ordained as a minister by the IGAS. With her renewed perspective, she return to acting opting to have the opportunity to impact millions as opposed to helping only a select few. In 1991 Diane created the portrayal of Marietta in David Lynch's Wild at Heart. For her performance, her peers at the Academy nominated her for her second Oscar. Later that year, she costarred with Robert Duvall, her daughter, Laura Dern and Lucas Haas in Rambling Rose. Diane and Laura made show business history as the first mother/daughter to be nominated for an Oscar not only in the same year, but also for the same picture! Princess Diana selected Rambling Rose as her favorite film and hosted a London premier in their honor. Diane relishes her memory of this once-in-a-lifetime event but more importantly Princess Diana's extraordinary sensitivity for humanity and those around her. In 1994 Diane wrote a screenplay based on Ella Leffland's book, Mrs. Munck, and directed the film by the same title for Showtime. The film starred Bruce Dern, Kelly Preston and Shelley Winters as well as Diane. She joins an incredibly small group of female actors - only sixteen out of 120,000 Screen Actors Guild members - to direct. The film received rave reviews and was selected by ten International Film Festivals including Edinburgh. Showtime premiered Mrs. Munck against the SuperBowl and surprised everyone by taking an inordinately large share.

On Valentines Day 1998 Diane married Robert Charles Hunter. Together, they've formed a production company, Exxcell Entertainment, Inc. that produces documentary and feature films. They currently have seven projects in development. Diane has just completed a nutritional health book titled "Spiraling Through the School of Life" and is hard at work on a biographical novel, "Two Rebels with a Cause," about her relationship with a woman on the other side of the veil, Martha Mitchell. Attorney General John Mitchell's wife who forever impacted our country - some say she saved it! - by her revelations during our country's worst political blight, Watergate. The book unfolds Diane's quest to tell the true story of Martha Mitchell and her love of husband, truth and country. A screenplay, Woman Inside, written by Diane and writing partner Scott Alsop is based on two books, "Dateline USA" by Helen Thomas and "Martha" by Winzola McLendon. Diane is pursuing development of her film projects, screenplays and books, still finding time to appear in numerous films throughout the year. She's a board member of the Screen Actors Guild and takes a very active role in lobbying for the film industry.

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Another branch on the Baudreau-Graveline family tree

BAPTISTE

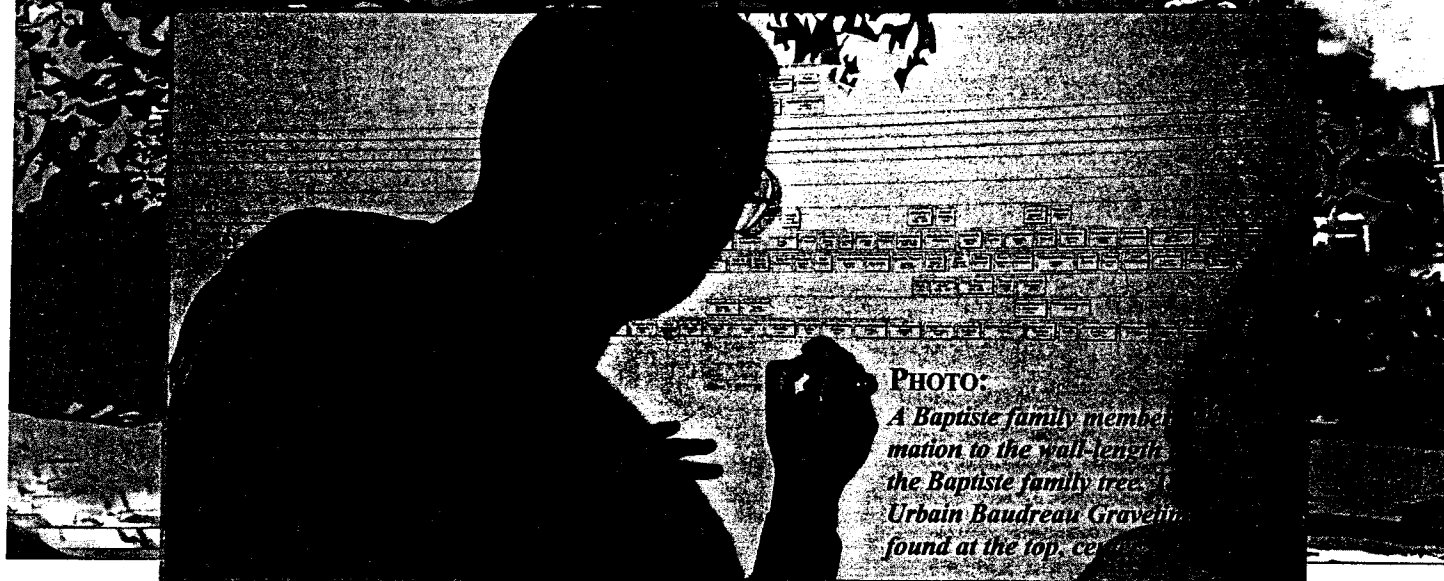


PHOTO:

A Baptiste family member
points to the wall-length
the Baptiste family tree.
Urbain Baudreau Graveline
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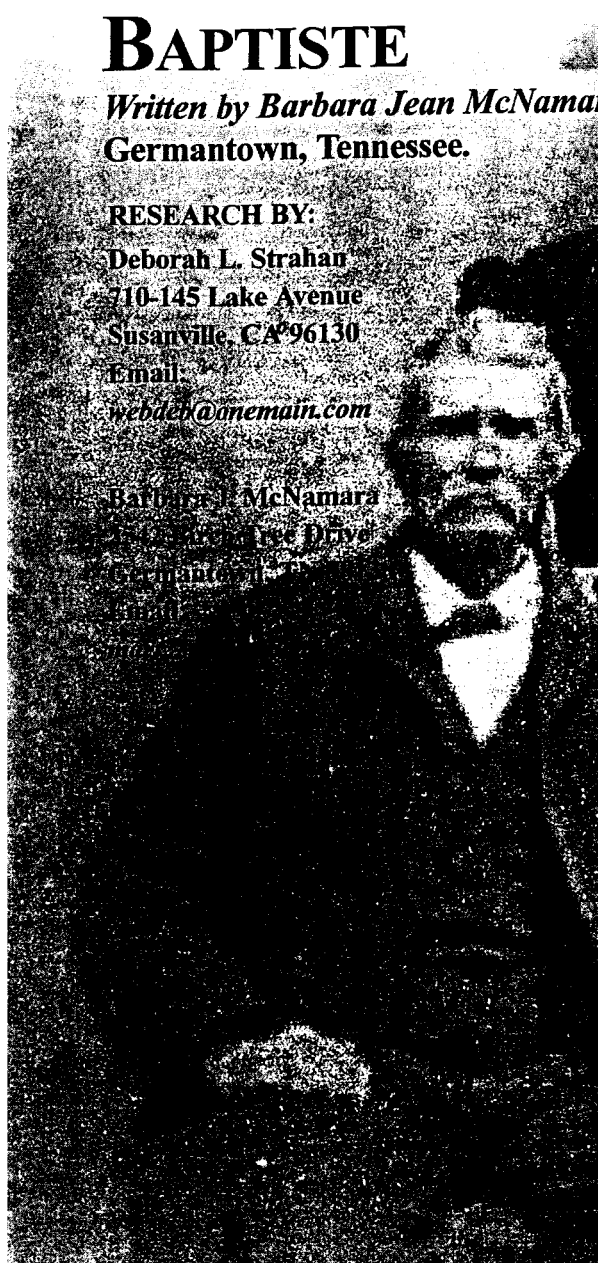


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Jacob Pierre Baptiste - the youngest child of Pierre Baptiste and his wife, Marguerite Jacob. He was the grandson of Jean-Baptiste Baudreau and Marie-Henriette Huet. Jacob Pierre was the gg-grandson of Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline.

Jacob Pierre Baptiste was born 7 Aug 1795 in Mobile Co AL and died 29 Jun 1877 in Mobile.

Pierre Baptiste, the patriarch of the BAPTISTE FAMILY of Mobile County, was born circa 1745 during the early colonial period of occupation of what is now Mobile County, Alabama. Pierre Baptiste in Graveline's Legacy states he was in Mobile in the early 1700s. He is listed in the archives of the Immigrant Association, for an Indian slave, and in the archives of the Immigrant Association, for an Indian slave, and in the archives of the Immigrant Association, for an Indian slave.

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Graveline and an Indian woman. Graveline was one of the original founders of Mobile who arrived at Old Biloxi on 6 Jan 1700 aboard The Renommee with Pierre Baptiste LeMoyne, Sieur d'Iberville. In his Last Will and Testament, Graveline refers to this Indian woman as the daughter of a great chief and states that he has legitimized his marriage to her in the Church. The Indian woman's name, Suzanne, is revealed on the marriage document of Graveline's son, Jean Baptiste Baudreau II to Marie Catherine Vinconneau.

Slave trade and cattle brought the Baudreau and Huet families together. As fate would have it, the lives of Jean Baptiste and Henriette were star-crossed. The tragic love affair of this couple was first brought to life in a manuscript titled "Jean Baptiste and Henriette, A Creole Tragedy" by Randall Ladnier. A newly released novel by Eloise Genest entitled The Passions of Princes, based on a true story of French Colonial Louisiana, is described by Jay Higginbotham as "a gripping, convincing novel that takes the reader deep into the heart of this romantic Gulf Coast setting" and features the love affair of Jean Baptiste and Henriette in a compelling story

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Barbara Jean McNamara of Germantown, Tennessee, has researched her *Baptiste* family roots for years. She credits Sade Cutchen of Spanish Fort, Alabama, with recently helping to find the link to Jean-Baptiste Baudreau Graveline. She says: "Her help was the Hand of Providence and no small miracle!"

No Small Miracle!

*Written by Barbara Jean McNamara,
Germantown, Tennessee*

In November 2000, I was making plans to go to Mobile for the Thanksgiving holiday. About two weeks prior to my leaving, "out of the blue" I received an email from Sade (Cutchen) responding to my query about Pierre Baptiste and the Baudreau connection in a periodical she received. The amazing fact is that I did not send a query to any magazine!! I frequently posted queries to message boards (Rootsweb, etc.), but had not submitted any queries to a publication.

Sade told me that she had put her genealogy work aside for a period of years, but somehow felt she should get in touch with me and respond to my query. When I told her I lived in Tennessee, but was going to Mobile to do some research, I discovered she lived at Spanish Fort, across the Bay from Mobile!

I had one day (Saturday) for library research and Sade met me there that morning. Among a car trunk full of records, she brought with her a more detailed Index of the Records of the Superior Council of Louisiana than was available at the Library. With her help, we pulled volumes of The Louisiana Historical Quarterly searching any references to Baudreau, Huet, Riout (Rivouet). It was through this detailed Index that we found the documentation that Jean Baptiste Baudreau II was the father of Henriette's two children, Julie and Pierre. Baudreau's father, Jean Baptiste Baudreau de Graveline, had petitioned the New Orleans Superior Council on a

PHOTO, Barbara Jean McNamara holding the portrait of Noel Pierre Baptiste, great-grandson of Pierre Baptiste.

Noel was born 24 aug 1846 in Mobile Co; d. 16 Apr 1897 in Mobile. He was the only son of Jacob Pierre Bateaste Jr. and wife, Nancy Alexander.



number of occasions regarding his son. It was this grandfather's petition in April 1747 for a pension (support) for Henriette and her two children that revealed Jean Baptiste was indeed the father.

We already had the proof that Henriette was Pierre's mother through his 1792 claim to the Bayou la Batre plantation as the "sole heir" of the Widow Huet, his grandmother. It was the connection to Baudreau that we needed to nail down. This came to us through Sade's miraculous contact with me just days before I was to go to Mobile. She could have lived anywhere in the world, but it "so happened" that she was only a few miles away from the Mobile library!!

As Sade and I have often discussed since, neither of us believes in coincidences! Everything happens for a reason and by the Hand of God. I certainly believe that He guided Sade to us at the exact moment in time when we needed to establish Pierre's heritage. Miracle? Yes, indeed!!

We are so thankful for the opportunity of getting to know Sade, and we shall be eternally grateful for her assistance in our quest to establish Pierre Baptiste's proper place in history.



PHOTO, Three researchers of the history of Pierre Baptiste:

On the right is Randall Ladnier whose manuscript, Jean Baptiste and Henriette, A Creole Tragedy, first brought to light the romantic involvement between the young French maiden, Marie Henriette Huet, and her lover, Jean Baptiste Baudreau II.

The two ladies are family researchers who have worked for the past two years to document the history of Pierre Baptiste.

On the left is Barbara Jean McNamara, 4g-granddaughter of Pierre Baptiste.

In the middle is Deborah Strahan, wife of Lamont Strahan (4g-grandson of Pierre Baptiste).

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of suspense, romance and intrigue.

Pierre's adolescent years were probably spent on his grandmother's large plantation on the east side of the River Derbanne (Bayou la Batre River). As a small boy, he must have spent endless hours on the plantation's beachfront overlooking the sparkling blue waters of the bay (Portersville Bay) or perched among the massive outstretched limbs of the ancient live oak at the river's eastern edge, eagerly on look-out for pirate ships sailing up the river from the bay. This old live oak stands today a lonely sentinel, battered by centuries of storms and minus many of its massive branches, marking the site of the Huet plantation home.

Marie Henriette Huet was a young mother with two children, Julie Baptiste and Pierre Baptiste, both fathered by Jean Baptiste Baudreau II. These children most likely were born on her family's plantation at Bayou la Batre. The children used the surname BAPTISTE (which was their father's middle name), although on occasion they used their mother's HUET surname. The petition by Jean Baptiste Baudreau de Graveline was granted in April 1747 by Louboey, the commandant at Mobile, to award Henriette a pension (child support) for the children fathered by his son. This act of "well-placed charity and the compromises" nec-

essary to grant it was of such extraordinary importance as to warrant comment by Pierre de Rigaud de Vaudreuil (Royal Governor of the French Province of Louisiana from 1743-1753) within The Vaudreuil Papers. The generous pension by the children's grandfather provided support for Henriette's children and enabled her to secure their education. The Ursuline Convent boarding school had recently been established in New Orleans and proper young ladies of the Gulf Coast colonies soon began to attend. It is possible that Julie boarded at Ursuline to acquire her education. As was the custom of that era, the young men were educated at home by the priests and this enabled Pierre to remain at the plantation. The graceful script handwriting of both Pierre and Julie on numerous documents indicates they received the finest education provided in those days.

Young men in this colony matured very quickly. The extreme hardships facing the early settlers left scant time for leisure. By 1761, with his sister Julie married to Jacques Milon and settled into married life in New Orleans, young Pierre's attention was focused on managing the plantation for his grandmother, the Widow Huet. His mother, Henriette, had married in 1748 to Jean Baptiste Bidault, a churchwarden; however, her marriage was a short one as she was soon widowed. Pierre grew to man-

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Seated:
Missouri Bateste, grand-
granddaughter of *Pierre*
Baptiste, and daughter of
Jacob Pierre Baptiste
and Nancy Alexander.
Standing is *Alice*,
Missouri's youngest
daughter. The boy is *Charles*
Roberts, Missouri's
son, born in 1911 in Mobile.
He died last year at age 80.



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hood as a trader, dealing with local merchants as
well as ship captains in New Orleans, and managing
the plantation's farmland and herds of cattle. His
fair and honest trading was much appreciated not
only by the colonists, but also by the Native
American inhabitants of the area who had held his
father in high esteem.

With the fortitude of his French-Canadian ancestry
coursing through his blood, Pierre faced daily
struggles to simply survive in this primitive land.
He was embroiled in the many changes of govern-
ments from French, to British, to Spanish, and
eventually American control. Each foreign occupa-
tion meant Pierre had to re-establish his identity
and ownership of his properties.

During the British occupation of Mobile, the French
settlers were required to pledge their allegiance to
King George III in order to retain their land.
Many opted to leave and moved to New Orleans;
however, Pierre and his mother, Henriette,
remained and on October 2, 1764, signed the alle-
giance in order to retain ownership of the Huet
plantation.

Pierre's grandmother, Widow Perrine Huet, died
the 28th of November 1767 in Mobile, and a scant
two years later Pierre's mother, Marie Henriette
Huet Bidault, died on the 9th of February 1770. At
the age of 25, Pierre Baptiste became the sole heir
to one of the most desirable plantation properties in
southern Mobile County.

It was during his youth that Pierre met his future
wife, Marguerite Jacob. The Huet plantation bor-
dered on Bayou Hamon, within a short distance of
the nearby homeplace of Jacques 'Jacob' Hamon



Photo of Franklin Theodore Battiste, b 1867, and
wife, Margaret Adeline Lewis, taken on their
52nd wedding anniversary. Franklin and
Margaret had nine children.

and his wife, Marianne. Pierre and Marguerite
grew up as neighbors on the bayou - she was indeed
"the girl next door." This beautiful Creole maiden
with the dark flashing eyes soon captured the heart
of the young Frenchman. In October of 1770,
Pierre became the godfather to Marguerite's
youngest brother, Pierre. Their childhood friend-
ship blossomed into love and the couple married
about 1778, during the Spanish occupation of
Mobile. Pierre acquired 623 acres of land in the
BelleFontaine area of Mobile County, situated
between Deer River (Rio del Gamo) and Fowl River
(Rio del Gallina) on the west side of Mobile Bay,

**THREE GENERATIONS OF DIRECT
DESCENDANTS OF PIERRE
BAPTISTE.**

**Left: Barbara Jean McNamara
b. 27 Aug 1938 - (Pierre's 4g-
granddaughter).**

**Center: Eva Claudine Bannan
b. 8 Nov 1912 - (Pierre's 3g-
granddaughter).**

**Right: Louis Bannan
b. 10 Oct 1914 - (Pierre's 3g-
grandson).**



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where he and Marguerite settled and began their family. Pierre's land was situated amidst the Chaquetasyamace villages (Les Chatas) scattered on the western shore of Mobile Bay, and perhaps he and Marguerite were married in the small Indian chapel located there. Amid the area's neighboring cattle properties, this particular site provided a fresh water Artesian fountain and lush grazing pastures for the cattle, of which Pierre had a large stock. Pierre named his plantation "BelleFontaine".

The first child, Pierre 'Garcon' Baptiste, was born about 1779 and named for his father. When their third child, Jean Pierre Baptiste, was baptized in 1783, the record shows that Pierre's half-brother, Jean Baptiste Baudreau III, was the godfather. Pierre and Marguerite would have five more children, with their youngest child, Jacob Pierre 'Diego Ursan' Baptiste, born in 1795.

During the time of Spanish control, French land owners without property documentation were required to petition the Spanish governor in order to retain ownership of their land. Pierre Baptiste petitioned the Spanish court stating that title to his Bayou la Batre land had been lost during the British occupation and he was the sole heir to Widow Huet's plantation. Pierre was given a grant from Governor General Carondelet on the 22nd of October 1792. The grant required that within one year a road must be constructed and sufficient ground cleared. It was further stipulated that Pierre must occupy the land and continue its cultivation. The requirements were fulfilled as the children of Pierre and Marguerite pitched in and helped their parents work the plantation, just as young Pierre had done some twenty years earlier. As Pierre worked his land on the east side of the river, across the waters on the west side was the

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From the court of Louis XV at Versailles to the Gravelines of the Mississippi Gulf Coast... A vast stage, and many voices from *La Louisiane*.

Written by Eloise Genest

My visit to Mobile during "Founders' Week" in March, 2002, was a timely one in which to showcase my novel, *The Passions of Princes*. Jean-Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline, celebrated as one of the colony's founders, is also a principal character in my book.

One of the high points of that trip was the time I spent with the Baptiste family at their reunion on March 23rd. Members who had already read my book received me so warmly that I felt I was with family. And, in a sense I was. It turns out we were all descended from Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline.

The Baptiste (also Battiste, Bateaste) family is descended from the ill-starred lovers Jean-Baptiste Graveline Baudreau and Marie Henriette Huet*, who are fictionalized in my novel, where they share a stage with the French King and his mistresses, the southeastern Choctaw and Chickasaw, and the governors of La Louisiane.

The story takes place in the mid-eighteenth century, during the twilight of France's might as a colonial power. Her government is mired in intrigue and self-interest. While religious wars sap at what little vitality remains of his country, a disinterested king allows his mistress to become the virtual ruler of the realm.

I have strived to present an accurate view of the cultural, political, religious, and racial situations unique to this time and place. This is a story that preceeds the birth of our nation. But it is, in every sense, a true story of America.



The Passions of Princes can be ordered directly from the author by sending a check or money order in the amount of \$15.00 U.S. currency to: Eloise Genest (201 Manchonis Ext., Wilbraham, MA 01095). There is no charge for postage. Eloise's email: egenest@krypto.net

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Randall Ladnier of Sarasota, Florida has documented the events of their lives in his manuscript, *Jean-Baptiste and Henriette*.

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Pierre Baptiste, the patriarch of the BAPTISTE FAMILY of Mobile County, was born circa 1745 during the early colonial period of occupation of what is now Baldwin County, Alabama. He was the first Baptiste in the lineage of the family. He is the subject of *Pierre Baptiste's Legacy*, a historical novel by the author. There is a large number of historical documents and artifacts in the archives of the University of the South, which are the foundation for an ongoing project to create a historical novel about the life of Pierre Baptiste. The novel is the first in a series of historical novels about the life of Pierre Baptiste.

1721. He took the name of "St. John"
 and was baptised in the church of
 St. John the Evangelist in Madrid.
 He was baptised by the priest
 Juan de la Cruz, and his godfather
 was the Count of Castelflorido.
 He died in Madrid on July 1721
 with his father, Guillaume
 Herpin, and his brother and
 godfather, the March
 de Senece. This family was liv-
 ing in Madrid.

the Oyster Point area), and by 1726 the rice plantation had become established at Oyster Point (Bayou la Batre/Coden area), where the January 1, 1726 census shows the Huets are living with their four children, four Negro slaves, and one Indian slave. Jean Baptiste Baudreau II was the only son of Jean Baptiste Baudreau de

Graveline and an Indian woman. Graveline was one of the original founders of Mobile who arrived at Old Biloxi on 6 Jan 1700 aboard The Renommee with Pierre Baptiste LeMoynes, Sieur d'Iberville. In his Last Will and Testament, Graveline refers to this Indian woman as the daughter of a great chief and states that he has legitimized his marriage to her in the Church. The Indian woman's name, Suzanne, is revealed on the marriage document of Graveline's son, Jean Baptiste Baudreau II to Marie Catherine Vinconneau.

Slave trade and cattle brought the Baudreau and Huet families together. As fate would have it, the lives of Jean Baptiste and Henriette were star-crossed. The tragic love affair of this couple was first brought to life in a manuscript titled "Jean Baptiste and Henriette, A Creole Tragedy" by Randall Ladnier. A newly released novel by Eloise Genest entitled The Passions of Princes, based on a true story of French Colonial Louisiana, is described by Jay Higginbotham as "a gripping, convincing novel that takes the reader deep into the heart of this romantic Gulf Coast setting" and features the love affair of Jean Baptiste and Henriette in a compelling story

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Jacob Pierre Baptiste: the youngest child of Pierre Baptiste and his wife, Marguerite Jacob. He was the grandson of Jean-Baptiste Baudreau and Marie-Henriette Huet. Jacob Pierre was the gg-grandson of Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline.

Jacob Pierre Baptiste was born 7 Aug 1795 in Mobile Co AL and died 29 Jun 1877 in Mobile.

Barbara Jean McNamara of Germantown, Tennessee, has researched her *Baptiste* family roots for years. She credits Sade Cutchen of Spanish Fort, Alabama, with recently helping to find the link to Jean-Baptiste Baudreau Graveline. She says: "Her help was the Hand of Providence and no small miracle!"

No Small Miracle!

*Written by Barbara Jean McNamara,
Germantown, Tennessee*

In November 2000, I was making plans to go to Mobile for the Thanksgiving holiday. About two weeks prior to my leaving, "out of the blue" I received an email from Sade (Cutchen) responding to my query about Pierre Baptiste and the Baudreau connection in a periodical she received. The amazing fact is that I did not send a query to any magazine!! I frequently posted queries to message boards (Rootsweb, etc.), but had not submitted any queries to a publication.

Sade told me that she had put her genealogy work aside for a period of years, but somehow felt she should get in touch with me and respond to my query. When I told her I lived in Tennessee, but was going to Mobile to do some research, I discovered she lived at Spanish Fort, across the Bay from Mobile!

I had one day (Saturday) for library research and Sade met me there that morning. Among a car trunk full of records, she brought with her a more detailed Index of the Records of the Superior Council of Louisiana than was available at the Library. With her help, we pulled volumes of The Louisiana Historical Quarterly searching any references to Baudreau, Huet, Riout (Rivouet). It was through this detailed Index that we found the documentation that Jean Baptiste Baudreau II was the father of Henriette's two children, Julie and Pierre. Baudreau's father, Jean Baptiste Baudreau de Graveline, had petitioned the New Orleans Superior Council on a

PHOTO, Barbara Jean McNamara holding the portrait of Noel Pierre Baptiste, great-grandson of Pierre Baptiste.

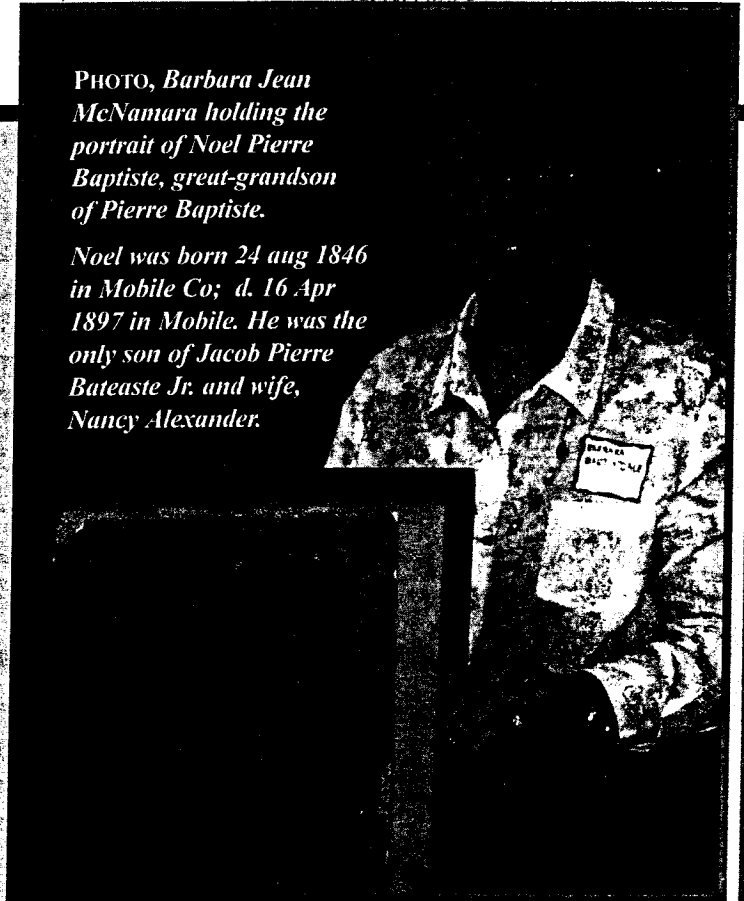
Noel was born 24 aug 1846 in Mobile Co; d. 16 Apr 1897 in Mobile. He was the only son of Jacob Pierre Bateaste Jr. and wife, Nancy Alexander.

number of occasions regarding his son. It was this grandfather's petition in April 1747 for a pension (support) for Henriette and her two children that revealed Jean Baptiste was indeed the father.

We already had the proof that Henriette was Pierre's mother through his 1792 claim to the Bayou la Batre plantation as the "sole heir" of the Widow Huet, his grandmother. It was the connection to Baudreau that we needed to nail down. This came to us through Sade's miraculous contact with me just days before I was to go to Mobile. She could have lived anywhere in the world, but it "so happened" that she was only a few miles away from the Mobile library!!

As Sade and I have often discussed since, neither of us believes in coincidences! Everything happens for a reason and by the Hand of God. I certainly believe that He guided Sade to us at the exact moment in time when we needed to establish Pierre's heritage. Miracle? Yes, indeed!!

We are so thankful for the opportunity of getting to know Sade, and we shall be eternally grateful for her assistance in our quest to establish Pierre Baptiste's proper place in history.





PHOTO, Three researchers of the history of Pierre Baptiste:

On the right is Randall Ladnier whose manuscript, *Jean Baptiste and Henriette, A Creole Tragedy*, first brought to light the romantic involvement between the young French maiden, Marie Henriette Huet, and her lover, Jean Baptiste Baudreau II.

The two ladies are family researchers who have worked for the past two years to document the history of Pierre Baptiste.

On the left is Barbara Jean McNamara, 4g-granddaughter of Pierre Baptiste.

In the middle is Deborah Strahan, wife of Lamont Strahan (4g-grandson of Pierre Baptiste).

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of suspense, romance and intrigue.

Pierre's adolescent years were probably spent on his grandmother's large plantation on the east side of the River Derbanne (Bayou la Batre River). As a small boy, he must have spent endless hours on the plantation's beachfront overlooking the sparkling blue waters of the bay (Portersville Bay) or perched among the massive outstretched limbs of the ancient live oak at the river's eastern edge, eagerly on look-out for pirate ships sailing up the river from the bay. This old live oak stands today a lonely sentinel, battered by centuries of storms and minus many of its massive branches, marking the site of the Huet plantation home.

Marie Henriette Huet was a young mother with two children, Julie Baptiste and Pierre Baptiste, both fathered by Jean Baptiste Baudreau II. These children most likely were born on her family's plantation at Bayou la Batre. The children used the surname BAPTISTE (which was their father's middle name), although on occasion they used their mother's HUET surname. The petition by Jean Baptiste Baudreau de Graveline was granted in April 1747 by Louboey, the commandant at Mobile, to award Henriette a pension (child support) for the children fathered by his son. This act of "well-placed charity and the compromises" nec-

essary to grant it was of such extraordinary importance as to warrant comment by Pierre de Rigaud de Vaudreuil (Royal Governor of the French Province of Louisiana from 1743-1753) within The Vaudreuil Papers. The generous pension by the children's grandfather provided support for Henriette's children and enabled her to secure their education. The Ursuline Convent boarding school had recently been established in New Orleans and proper young ladies of the Gulf Coast colonies soon began to attend. It is possible that Julie boarded at Ursuline to acquire her education. As was the custom of that era, the young men were educated at home by the priests and this enabled Pierre to remain at the plantation. The graceful script handwriting of both Pierre and Julie on numerous documents indicates they received the finest education provided in those days.

Young men in this colony matured very quickly. The extreme hardships facing the early settlers left scant time for leisure. By 1761, with his sister Julie married to Jacques Milon and settled into married life in New Orleans, young Pierre's attention was focused on managing the plantation for his grandmother, the Widow Huet. His mother, Henriette, had married in 1748 to Jean Baptiste Bidault, a churchwarden; however, her marriage was a short one as she was soon widowed. Pierre grew to man-

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Seated:

Missouri Bateaste, great
granddaughter of Pierre
Baptiste, and daughter of
Jacob Pierre Baptiste
and Nancy Alexander.
Standing is Alice Roberts,
Missouri's youngest son.
The boy is Charles
Roberts, Missouri's son,
born in 1911 in Mobile.
He died last year at age 80.



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hood as a trader, dealing with local merchants as well as ship captains in New Orleans, and managing the plantation's farmland and herds of cattle. His fair and honest trading was much appreciated not only by the colonists, but also by the Native American inhabitants of the area who had held his father in high esteem.

With the fortitude of his French-Canadian ancestry coursing through his blood, Pierre faced daily struggles to simply survive in this primitive land. He was embroiled in the many changes of governments from French, to British, to Spanish, and eventually American control. Each foreign occupation meant Pierre had to re-establish his identity and ownership of his properties.

During the British occupation of Mobile, the French settlers were required to pledge their allegiance to King George III in order to retain their land. Many opted to leave and moved to New Orleans; however, Pierre and his mother, Henriette, remained and on October 2, 1764, signed the allegiance in order to retain ownership of the Huet plantation.

Pierre's grandmother, Widow Perrine Huet, died the 28th of November 1767 in Mobile, and a scant two years later Pierre's mother, Marie Henriette Huet Bidault, died on the 9th of February 1770. At the age of 25, Pierre Baptiste became the sole heir to one of the most desirable plantation properties in southern Mobile County.

It was during his youth that Pierre met his future wife, Marguerite Jacob. The Huet plantation bordered on Bayou Hamon, within a short distance of the nearby homeplace of Jacques 'Jacob' Hamon



Photo of Franklin Theodore Battiste, b 1867, and wife, Margaret Adeline Lewis, taken on their 52nd wedding anniversary. Franklin and Margaret had nine children.

and his wife, Marianne. Pierre and Marguerite grew up as neighbors on the bayou - she was indeed "the girl next door." This beautiful Creole maiden with the dark flashing eyes soon captured the heart of the young Frenchman. In October of 1770, Pierre became the godfather to Marguerite's youngest brother, Pierre. Their childhood friendship blossomed into love and the couple married about 1778, during the Spanish occupation of Mobile. Pierre acquired 623 acres of land in the BelleFontaine area of Mobile County, situated between Deer River (Rio del Gamo) and Fowl River (Rio del Gallina) on the west side of Mobile Bay,

**THREE GENERATIONS OF DIRECT
DESCENDANTS OF PIERRE
BAPTISTE.**

Left: Barbara Jean McNamara
b. 27 Aug 1938 - (Pierre's 4g-
granddaughter).

Center: Eva Claudine Babin
b. 8 Nov 1912 - (Pierre's 4g-
granddaughter).

Right: Marguerite Baptiste



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where he and Marguerite settled and began their family. Pierre's land was situated amidst the Chaquetasyamace villages (Les Chatas) scattered on the western shore of Mobile Bay, and perhaps he and Marguerite were married in the small Indian chapel located there. Amid the area's neighboring cattle properties, this particular site provided a fresh water Artesian fountain and lush grazing pastures for the cattle, of which Pierre had a large stock. Pierre named his plantation "BelleFontaine".

The first child, Pierre 'Garcon' Baptiste, was born about 1779 and named for his father. When their third child, Jean Pierre Baptiste, was baptized in 1783, the record shows that Pierre's half-brother, Jean Baptiste Baudreau III, was the godfather. Pierre and Marguerite would have five more children, with their youngest child, Jacob Pierre 'Diego Ursan' Baptiste, born in 1795.

During the time of Spanish control, French land owners without property documentation were required to petition the Spanish governor in order to retain ownership of their land. Pierre Baptiste petitioned the Spanish court stating that title to his Bayou la Batre land had been lost during the British occupation and he was the sole heir to Widow Huet's plantation. Pierre was given a grant from Governor General Carondelet on the 22nd of October 1792. The grant required that within one year a road must be constructed and sufficient ground cleared. It was further stipulated that Pierre must occupy the land and continue its cultivation. The requirements were fulfilled as the children of Pierre and Marguerite pitched in and helped their parents work the plantation, just as young Pierre had done some twenty years earlier. As Pierre worked his land on the east side of the river, across the waters on the west side was the

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Hi, Ernie -

A link to your website was on our BAPTISTE FAMILY group site on Yahoo. That's where I noted the mention of Henriette Baptiste and also of the WHATLEY family.

I am attaching a file on Descendants of Henriette Baptiste. I have a copy of her baptism record from the Cathedral in Mobile.

It reads:

On Sunday fifth day of the month of April in the year 1795, I Father Constantino McKenna, Parish Priest of the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Mobile, baptized and anointed the young daughter of Pierre Baptiste and Marguerite Jacob and gave the name Henriette. Her godparents Henrique Kayer and Petronilla Gallegos, here in the absence of Madame Mazurier, are here to witness the spiritual event and with my final signature. /s/ Father Constantino McKenna

Henriette Baptiste was the daughter of Pierre Baptiste and Marguerite Jacob.

Pierre Baptiste bought a 623-acre plantation at BelleFontaine from Pierre Rochon in 1780.

This was about the time Pierre and Marguerite were married (we have not located their marriage record). They had the following children:

1. Pierre 'Garcon' Baptiste b. abt 1779 d. bef 1849 + Mary Barrial on 16 Jan 1828
2. Louisa Baptiste b. 18 Aug 1781 d. 31 May 1836 + Giovanni Giacomo Chighizola on 24 Jun 1814
3. Jean Pierre Baptiste b. Mar 1783 d. ?? + Nancy Williams on 19 Apr 1824
4. Nicolas Baptiste b. 10 Jan 1785 d. bef 1788
5. Bernard 'Bedo' Pierre Baptiste b. 22 Oct 1787 d. 11 Mar 1851 + Mary 'Polly' Whatley on 20 May 1828
6. Julien Baptiste b. 6 May 1790 died ??
7. Henriette Baptiste b. 1794 d. bef 1850 + Charles Lyons abt 1807

8. Jacob Pierre 'Diego Ursan' Baptiste b. 7 Aug 1795 d. 29 Jun 1877 + Sarah 'Sally' Turner abt 1819 in Jackson Co MS

In 1792, Pierre Baptiste filed claim with the Spanish government that he was sole heir to the 1,279 acre HUET plantation at Bayou la Batre; claim was granted on 22 Oct 1792.

Pierre Baptiste was the son of Marie Henriette Huet and Jean Baptiste Baudrau II. Their star-crossed love affair was told in the historical novel The Passions of Princes by Eloise Genest. Randall Lадnier also recorded their story in his manuscript "Jean Baptiste and Henriette--A Creole Tragedy".

The parents of Jean Baptiste Baudrau II were Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline and an Indian woman named Susanne. Graveline arrived in Mobile in 1700 with the LeMoyne brothers. This Baudreau-Graveline family line is well documented back to 1581 France by the Urbain Baudreau Graveline Genealogical Association of Quebec.

In preparation for the Mobile Tricentennial, we gathered documents on our BAPTISTE family. We were in contact with many descendants of Pierre's children who helped us with this documentation. However, we were unable to determine the parents of Bedo's wife, Mary 'Polly' Whatley. I was hoping you might be able to help us on that when I saw the WHATLEY name on your website.

My connection to Henriette Baptiste is through her youngest brother, Jacob Pierre Baptiste. He is my 3g-grandfather.

Submitted by Barbara

Barbara Jean McNamara

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BACK TO OUR HOMEPAGESMITH/LADNIER/LADNER/HERRING/HERRIN/LYONS/JOHNSON/LANE(S)/ FROM SOUTH CAROLINA AND ALABAMA AND MISSISSIPPI(1500'S-21ST CENTURY)

> the Gautiers, just go to Google and type in Auguste Gautier and there it is.

> Also, my Mother was Joyce Nelson, from Moss Point who lived in the old home on Main Street that Dickie Scruggs renovated(don't know what they are doing with it yet- would love to have a Culture/Research Center) Her father's mother, Francis Graham, was a mystery because she died young and wasn't talked about or remembered. When I started working up here I found her 6 years old on the 1880's census with her family, William Graham and Lue

> Faggard. That opened up worlds to me....including Francis's grandmother, who was Henriette Baptiste Lyons(Pierre and Marguerite's daughter), named for her Grandma Henriette Huet.

> So, when I get my manuscripts I'll send one to Joseph Andrew Rosenzweig(the composer son) and give him your message.

> Thanks again. What is your mailing address?

> Mine is Renee Gautier-Hague
> 709 Columbus Drive
> Pascagoula, MS 39567

> Did you grow up in Pascagoula and attend school here?

> Sincerely,
> Renee
>

> -----Original Message-----
> From: rladnier@comcast.net [mailto:rladnier@comcast.net]
> Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2003 8:29 PM
> To: Sherry Owens
> Subject: Re: article on Jean Baptiste and Henriette
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>
> Hello Cousin Renee,
>
> Pleasure to meet you. I do not have Archie in my little Gautier file but I would love to know how she fits.
>
> Yes, I can send you a couple copies of my little manuscript. I'm mailing out
> three copies tomorrow and that will leave me with a single copy. I'll just make a trip to Kinko's and print another dozen or so. I sell each manuscript
> for \$15.00, postage included.
>
> I received my masters degree from Tulane so I know your son is in a good spot. I think he should write a tragic opera and call it JEAN BAPTISTE and HENRIETTE.
>
> I am attaching a small file that contains what I have on the first three generations of the Graveline family in Louisiana. It is only four pages and
> should provide answers to some of your questions.
>

> I feel strongly that the mother of Graveline's daughter was not Choctaw
> because she was actually his slave. What few records we have list her as
> MAGDELEN PANY. PANY (or PANIS) was the French Canadian term for an Indian
> slave girl. It came to a general usage because the Canadian traders who
> traveled the Mississippi were particularly fond of light skinned young
girls
> from the PAWNEE tribe. They often purchased them from the PADUCAH Indians
> who would kidnap them and sell them to Canadians who valued them as
> concubine/travelmate(s). I think MAGDELEN PANY could have been a PAWNEE
was
> most probably born into the CHITIMACHA tribe whose village was located on
> the East side of the Mississippi River below New Orleans. This village
made
> the mistake of murdering several French Canadians who were descending the
> river in 1705. Bienville sent a French detachment to attack their village.
> They slaughtered the men and took some of the women and children back to
Old
> Mobile. If she was a CHITIMACHA (and older than ten years when she was
> captured) she probably bore some very colorful tattoos.
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> SUSANNE, on the other hand, was the daughter of a famous chief. She might
> have been CHOCTAW but that tribe did not have a custom of giving their
> daughters to anyone. The CREEK chiefs (being clever entrepreneurs) had a
> common practice of giving a daughter to a French or English trader in
order
> to cement a trading relationship. Graveline definitely traded with three
> CREEK tribes: the ALABAMA, TALLAPOOSA, and COWETA.
>
> Best to you...
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> Cousin Randall
> From: "Sherry Owens" <pggen@jgrl.lib.ms.us>
> To: <rladnier@comcast.net>
> Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2003 8:39 PM
> Subject: article on Jean Baptiste and Henriette
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>
> > Dear Randall,
> > I'm a Graveline descendant and I've just discovered all the
research!!
> > I'd like to order a couple of copies of your manuscript. I've forgotten
> > where I saw the order info and so I thought I'd just e-mail you. Give
me
> > your address and I'll send you the check ASAP. It is really thrilling
to
> > read...and I'm also in the middle of "The Passion of Princes". When I
was
> > young, my Grandmother, Archie Gautier, turned me on to Regina Rapier's,
> > "Music in Mourning" and I always wanted to stage a drama at the Old
> Spanish

To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Samuel

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Renee, to my knowledge, only Julie Huet has been linked to Henriette Huet (and speculated with J.B. Baudrau whom Henriette had a known relationship with earlier) in any record...on Julie's marriage record it stated that she was Henrietta's daughter. I've yet to see a record that links Pierre to the same family other than "sole heir" to Perrine Huet's plantation...and "sole heir" could mean anything...to inherit only means same, heir to the estate...others in that era had left their land to neighbors(as heirs) and friends or other relatives. Perrine outlived her husband, her son Jean Baptiste, her dau. Henriette..For me personally, there are too many unknowns...a marriage record for Marguerite and Pierre (whose children were "legitimate" in Catholic christening records)...Vidrine's assertion in Love's Legacy that Pierre Baptiste "came" to Mobile around 1750...where was he??? Barbara Martindale is of the same lines I am but different branch of the Collins family...Louisa Baptiste's Chighizola family and my branch of Jacob Pierre's line believed the same oral history that we were of Bienville...There were two John and Jacob Baptiste in the Mobile area the same period, yet one family was from Italy and the other French and no known relationship. There were two Jacob Rolls in Mobile early 1800's, one from England, the other from PA...no known relationship. Marguerite Jacob's lines have never been proven to my satisfaction, only that there was a "Marguerite" in the area....it was such a common name of the period but not one record has been found that proves the suppositions of the relationships. Marriage records usually give the couples parents, and I do believe there is a marriage record for Pierre and Marguerite some where...with out that, I don't lend much credence to the suppositions. I would be more than willing to believe the Graveline lineage if there were more documented evidence. But that's just my personal belief...and hopefully, the Spanish records in Pensacola will have some of our missing documents. Kindest regards, Jan

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From: Sherry Owens
To: Jan Davis-Shannon
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 5:51 PM
Subject: RE: Samuel

Jan,

Why would J.B.B.dit Graveline have petitioned the Superior court in New Orleans to set up financial provisions for Henriette's children? That petition was in April 1747..it is even the Vaudreuil papers.

Who in your family passed down the story of Bienville being your ancestor?

What about Barbara Jean McNamara's research..she is a descendant of Noel Pierre, great-grandson of Pierre. I'm just trying to stay open minded! Thanks again. Many regards for a great day!!!

Renee

-----Original Message-----

From: Jan Davis-Shannon [mailto:silkyl@hargray.com]
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 9:36 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Samuel

Hi Renee, I have read Bienville's Will....I think it was because of his importance to the French government, that his liaison with an Indian woman was kept quiet..France certainly didn't want that...the Catholic Church didn't either...an illegitimate half breed of a official of the French Colony was not something that would have been recorded much in Church or Governmental records...even Henriette Huet's name was for a while protected when Petite stated that (paraphrased)...the whole colony knew...but refrained from stating in that particular record that she was the mother of an illegitimate child...that only came later when he became so desperate to obtain monies....and control...Jay told me that it was pretty well known of a Indian child named Jean Baptiste around the camps was probably Bienville's...And there are the two Church records where Bienville and "wife" attended...Oddly, one of those records was at the wedding of LaLande who had property at Belle Fontaine, as did Marguerite and Pierre Baptiste! Most of the research done on our family was not done by direct descendant's of Pierre's....I feel the most important thing that they failed to have was verbal family tradition and oral history passed down...Kindest regards, Jan

----- Original Message -----

From: Sherry Owens
To: Jan Davis-Shannon
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 9:59 AM
Subject: RE: Samuel

Yes Jan, I had that info but thanks very much for thinking of me. I haven't really found anything else

on Baptiste/Baudreaus...accept a land record of Jacob Hamon and it calls him a "free mulatto"...I knew he was Creole but didn't know he was colored Creole but there were a lot of free people of color in the early colony..I think the French encouraged their initiative and they also mated with their slaves and then the offspring would be free.

Very soon, I'm going to have the opportunity to see some translated Spanish archives that haven't been published so I hope to learn much more about our early families.
I finished the biography on Bienville and am starting one on D'Iberville. B was an amazing man who didn't get credit in his lifetime for everything he did. He really is the father of the Gulf Coast. Its too bad he didn't marry...but then maybe he did! but I wish there was a better accounting of it. It just seems as important as he was that his offspring would have been noticed. Have you ever read his will? It's a beautiful document.

Sincerely,

Renee

-----Original Message-----

From: Jan Davis-Shannon [mailto:silky1@hargray.com]
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2003 8:22 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Samuel

Renee, Didn't know if you had this info on Lyons family or not....Later, Jan

Samuel Lyons Of Tombigbee, Alabama

Researcher for this family is David Sprinkle of Bayou La Batre, Alabama
Samuel Lyons was born about 1740 and came to the Tombigbee area about 1770, then Alabama/Mississippi Territory. He resided at Tombigbee, AL., he died in 1804 in the Tombigbee area just above Mobile. The wife of Samuel Lyons was Elisabeth (Rehama?).

Samuel had at least three sons

1. Amos Paul Lyons, married Rosalie Ballard
2. Charles Samuel Lyons, see below
3. William Lyons married Polly Cole

Charles Samuel Lyons Son Of Samuel Lyons

Charles Samuel Lyons was born about 1780 and was living in Jackson Co. MS. in 1840. From Family Bible it states he died 23 March, 1842. Charles married Henriette "Ritta" Batiste the daughter of Pierre Baptiste and wife Margaritte Jacob. Charles Lyons had a brother Amos Paul Lyons who married Rosile Ballard and lived in Herron Bay, AL. She was the daughter of Phelen Ballard and Mercy Havens. Mercy descended from the Haven family that moved to Jackson Co. It appears that Charles and Henriette both had died by 1850. As their two youngest children, William and Tabitha are in the household with their sister, Margaret and her husband, Jesse Long in the 1850 Census of Jackson Co. Henriette Batiste Lyons had a brother Bedo Batiste (Baptiste) who died in Mobile County, AL., about 1850 he had no children. His estate was being settled in the early 1853 and names his heirs and includes the children of Henriette and Charles Lyons.

1. Reham Lyons born 1813 married Joshua Waters
 2. Martha Lyons born 1815 married John Cunningham
 3. Charles Lyons born 1818 married Harriett Long
 4. Austin Lyons born 1820 married Amelia Graham
 5. Nancy Lyons born 1824 married Joseph Graham and John Miller
 6. Samuel Lyons born 1826; married Elisabeth Hicks
 7. Margaret Lyons born 1828 married Jesse Long
 8. John Lyons born 1830 married Nancy Whatley
 9. Jacob Lyons born 1832
 - 10 William Lyons born 1834
 - 11 Tabitha Lyons born 1838; married 7 October, 1857 to Henry L. Newbold in Mobile Co. Alabama.
- Margaret Lyons first married Jesse Long then remarried 29 December, 1870 in Mobile, AL., to Charles A. Jellerson.

Austin Lyons Son of Charles Lyons

Austin Lyons born about 1820 in Mississippi. He is listed in the 1850 Census of Jackson Co. MS.
He married Amelia Graham

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Amelia Graham Lyons is buried in the Old Robinson Cemetery in Escatawpa, MS. The cemetery no longer exists and only the sunken places in the earth tells of the once burial place. There were wooden headstone, but the time of wrath has taken toll. It is not known if Austin Lyons was buried in the same cemetery.

Listed in the 1850 census are the following children.

Mary E. Lyons age 7 years born in MS

Harriet S. Lyons age 5 born in MS

Laura Lyons age 3 born in MS

Maria Lyons age 11 months born in MS

1860 census Mobile County near Union Church Grand Bay area

Austin Lyons 47 born MS

Amelia Lyons 32 born MS

Harriet L Lyons age 15 born MS

Laura Lyons age 12 born MS., married John Hill

Maria Lyons age 10 born MS., married Augustus Burke

William C Lyons age 8 born MS.

Margaret Lyons age 7 born MS

Florence M Lyons age 4 born MS

Azeline S Lyons age 1 born MS

William Charles Lyons, married 10 September, 1877 to Kizziah Overstreet.

Azeline Lyons married 25 April, 1882 to W.J. Baker

Florence Lyons married a Mr. White

Margaret Lyons born 1853, died 1925. She married 25 December, 1878 to George W. Phillips.

Alabama (Bama) Lyons was born 1861 in Mobile Co. AL., and died 1949, probably AL. She married James Lawrence Overstreet, born 1855 and died 1942.

William Lyons Son Of Samuel Lyons

William Lyons was born in the 1780's. He married in Mobile, AL., 3 March, 1813 to Mary "Polly" Cole.

Children of William and Polly are:

1. William Lyons, born Herron Bay AL., 19 November, 1813; married 5 December, 1839 to Mary Ann Cates born 1825, daughter of William Cates Sr. Moved to Vancleve MS. by 1850

Children:

1. James William H. Lyons, born 17 December, 1840
2. Susannah Alvina Lyons, born 14 February, 1843; Married Wiley Roberts
3. Silas Washington Lyons, born 11 October, 1845, died 10 May, 1852
4. Mary Jane Lyons, born 14 November, 1847; married James Garner Roberts.
5. Hetta Margaret Lyons, born 7 December, 1849
6. Eliza G. Lyons, born 25 May, 1852; married a Mr. Long
7. Frances E. Lyons, born 19 March, 1854; married John Perry
8. Robert C. Lyons, born 5 April, 1856; married Charlotte Barnes
9. Angeline Ethelda Lyons, born 10 April, 1858; married Thomas Q. Roberts
- 10 Wiley W. Lyons, born 30 May, 1860; married Annie Herndon

**BACK TO OUR HOMEPAGESMITH/LADNIER/LADNER/HERRING/HERRIN/LYONS/JOHNSON/LANE(S)/
FROM SOUTH CAROLINA AND ALABAMA AND MISSISSIPPI(1500'S-21ST CENTURY)**

Sherry Owens

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From: Jan Davis-Shannon
Sent: Monday, September 15, 2003 10:52 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Samuel

Sherry, I may have shared my thoughts with you before, but can't recall, on the connection to Bienville...In the South, to claim Indian bloodlines was considered the same as Negro bloodlines...it just wasn't discussed or talked about...

Couple that with "illegitimate"....and I'm surprised what little knowledge we were told came down the lines! It was never told to me "how" we were related, just that we were descended from Bienville. When I would ask, I was told "Hush...we don't talk about it". My mother (Jacob Pierre's descendant) and her family all went to the Visitation Convent, a old Catholic Monastery in Mobile...along with Louisa Baptiste's descendants...they were cousins but did not know it at the time. In that era, they were more concerned with being "proper Mobile ladies" than kinship to a possible Indian woman in their lineage. Most of us came from working class of settler's that were not of royalty or the "gentry" of the times....and aspired in later years of being "cultured" and of "European descent" which was more acceptable in that era of times. We may not be of Bienville, but I hope to one day find out who Pierre and Marguerite's parents were by hopefully finding their marriage record. Regards, Jan

----- Original Message -----

From: Sherry Owens
To: Jan Davis-Shannon
Sent: Monday, September 15, 2003 11:19 AM
Subject: RE: Samuel

Dear Jan,

Thanks for your thoughtful response. I too, am looking forward to the revelations from the Spanish records. On Sat. when we were emailing back and forth Jay Higginbotham came up to do some business and I had a talk with him. He said that its possible about Bienville but we'll have to prove it. So...until then we'll keep searching.

Best to you and yours.

Sincerely,

Renee

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From: Jan Davis-Shannon [mailto:silky1@hargray.com]
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 5:56 PM

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From: Jan Davis-Shannon
 Sent: Friday, September 12, 2003 8:22 AM
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Renee, Didn't know if you had this info on Lyons family or not....Later, Jan

Samuel Lyons Of Tombigbee, Alabama

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 Samuel Lyons was born about 1740 and came to the Tombigbee area about 1770, then Alabama/Mississippi Territory.
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Samuel had at least three sons

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 Charles Lyons had a brother Amos Paul Lyons who married Rosile Ballard and lived in Herron Bay, AL. She was the daughter of Phelen Ballard and Mercy Havens. Mercy descended from the Haven family that moved to Jackson Co.
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John Lyons GrandSon Of Samuel Lyons and Son of Charles Lyons and Henriette "Ritta" Baptiste the daughter of Pierre Baptiste and wife Margaritte Jacob.

Click the links below to see more information on John Lyons and Henriette Baptiste.

BAPTISTE FAMILY of Bayou La Batre, Alabama

FORTS LAKE, ALABAMA INFORMATION C.1900

JOHN LYONS FAMILY of FortsLake, Alabama

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*****My main family line is in **bold print** in order for you to follow the line*****

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*****Descendants of Henriette Baptiste and Charles Lyons s/o Samuel Lyons*****

Generation No. 1

1. **HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE (PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3**

GRAVELINE,

URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born Abt. 1794 in Bayou la Batre, Louisiana Territory, and

died Bef. 1850 in Jackson Co MS. She married **CHARLES LYONS** Abt. 1807 in Jackson Co MS, son of **SAMUEL**

LYONS and ELIZABETH. He was born Abt. 1772 in Jackson Co MS, and died Mar 23, 1842 in Jackson Co MS [Lyons Family Bible].

Notes for **HENRIETTE BAPTISTE**:

Henriette Baptiste Lyons died before 1850. After her death, her youngest children went to live with their older

sister, Margaret Lyons Long.

More About **HENRIETTE BAPTISTE**:

Baptism: Apr 05, 1795, Mobile Co AL

Burial: Pascagoula Cemetery, Pascagoula MS

Notes for **CHARLES LYONS**:

Charles Lyons was a Methodist. He farmed, sold timber and raised cattle on his acreage in Jackson Co MS.

More About **CHARLES LYONS**:

Burial: Pascagoula Cemetery, Pascagoula MS

Christening: Methodist

More About **CHARLES LYONS and HENRIETTE BAPTISTE**:

Marriage: Abt. 1807, Jackson Co MS

Children of **HENRIETTE BAPTISTE and CHARLES LYONS** are:

2. i. **RAHAMA 7 LYONS**, b. 1813, Jackson Co MS.

3. ii. **MARTHA LYONS**, b. 1815, Jackson Co MS; d. Abt. 1866.

4. iii. **CHARLES LYONS, JR.**, b. 1817, Jackson Co MS; d. Apr 22, 1867, Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

5. iv. **AUSTIN LYONS**, b. 1820, Jackson Co MS.

6. v. **SEWELL PETER LYONS**, b. Feb 1823, Jackson Co MS; d. Jun 12, 1902, Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

7. vi. **NANCY LYONS**, b. 1826, Jackson Co MS; d. 1859, Jackson Co MS.

8. vii. **MARGARET LYONS**, b. May 29, 1829, Jackson Co MS.

9. viii. **JOHN HENRY LYONS**, b. 1831, Jackson Co MS; d. Sep 20, 1853, Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

10. ix. **JACOB C. LYONS**, b. 1831, Jackson Co MS; d. Dec 15, 1910, Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

11. x. **WILLIAM LYONS**, b. Jul 1834, Jackson Co MS.

xi. **TABITHA LYONS**, b. 1836, Jackson Co MS; d. Abt. 1869, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. **HENRY L. NEWBOLD**, Oct 07, 1857, Mobile Co AL; b. Feb 1833, Alabama; d. Nov 26, 1874, Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

Notes for **HENRY L. NEWBOLD**:

Henry Newbold and Tabitha Lyons had no children.

Henry Newbold and Anne Bryant had one child, Henry Newbold, Jr.

When Henry Newbold died, Anne Bryant Newbold married Frank Reinhart who adopted Henry Newbold, Jr. as his son.

More About **HENRY NEWBOLD and TABITHA LYONS**:

Marriage: Oct 07, 1857, Mobile Co AL

Generation No. 2

2. **RAHAMA 7 LYONS (HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU**

DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born 1813 in Jackson Co MS.

She married

(1) **JOSHUA WATERS** 1834 in Jackson Co MS. He was born Abt. 1789 in South Carolina. She married (2) **WILLIAM DAILY** Jul 03, 1873 in Mobile Co, AL.

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More About **RAHAMA LYONS**:

Baptism: Oct 25, 1875, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Mobile AL

A LIST OF "JOHN HENRY LYONS SR." CHILDREN/SPOUSE

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SPOUSE NAME NANCY WHATLEY BORN (1835-1870) DIED / WEDDED C.1853 /

SPOUSE NAME JOHN HENRY LYONS SR. BORN (1831-1853) DIED

CHILD: NAME JOHN HENRY LYONS JR. B.(1853-1929) D.

PARENTS OF NANCY WHATLEY:

FATHER: NAME TISDALE WHATLEY B.(1803-c.1890) D.

MOTHER: NAME SARAH SALLY GILL married 1830 B.(1806-c.1890) D.

PARENTS OF JOHN HENRY LYONS

FATHER: NAME CHARLES LYONS B.(C.1772-1842) D.

MOTHER: NAME HENRIETTE BAPTISTE B.(C.1794-C.1850) D.

AUNT/UNCLE OF JOHN HENRY LYONS

UNCLE: NAME AUSTIN LYONS B.(1820-?) D.

AUNT: NAME AMELIA GRAHAM B.(1822-?) D.

Family contributions from DAVID SPRINKLE

Charles and Samuel were 2 different men along with their brother Amos Paul Lyons,

i. Samuel Lyons (Jr.) married Rhoda Baxter about 1820

ii. Charles Lyons married Henritte Baptiste about 1812

iii. Amos P Lyons married Rosalie Ballard about 1812

These are sons of **Samuel Lyons who died 1804 at Tombigbee Alabama** just above Mobile, Samuel Lyons came their with other Americans to escape the Revolutionary war about 1780

Ps: Your Aunt Matilda Lyons Clark married my grandmothers brother John W Clark. I am researching my ggg grandmother, Sarah Gill. According to census information, she was born in 1806. Both of her parents were from South Carolina. She married Tisdale Whatley around 1830. They had at least eleven children together. They are listed in the **Scott Co., MS** census together in 1840. They moved to Mobile in the late 1840's. They lived in the Grand Bay area until they died after 1880. There children were **Elizabeth, Nancy, Lucy, Terrell, Mary, Sarah, Elvira, Rudy, Reuben, Verneti and Daniel, born in that order from 1831 to 1856.** I was thinking that she might be a daughter of Reuben Gill and Nancy Smith based only on the names of her children or some other descendant of John Gill.

Lyons men who registered for ww1 in Jackson County, MS

Lyons, Byron P. 7 Dec 1891 W New Orleans LA Jackson Co. MS

Lyons, Ernest Quitman 17 Sep 1893 W Vancleave MS Jackson Co. MS

Lyons, Ervin Robert 2 Apr 1883 W Jackson Co. MS

Lyons, Herbert Lawrence 21 Oct 1878 W Jackson Co. MS

Lyons, Jack 15 Oct 1893 B Vancleave MS Jackson Co. MS

Lyons, Oliver J. 1888 W Ruble MS Jackson Co. MS

Lyons, Reuben Edgar 15 Mar 1878 W Jackson Co. MS

Lyons, Silas Quitman 1 Nov 1897 W Jackson Co. MS Stone

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1900, Mobile Co, AL.

More About CHARLES EDWARD LYONS:

Baptism: Jan 01, 1878, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL

More About CHARLES LYONS and MATTIE CRANE:

Marriage: Oct 1900, Mobile Co, AL

v. MARY FRANCES 'FANNIE' LYONS, b. Jun 26, 1878, Toulminville, Mobile Co AL; m. MARCUS HARRIS,
Nov 28, 1902, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL.

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More About MARY FRANCES 'FANNIE' LYONS:

Baptism: May 05, 1879, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL

More About MARCUS HARRIS and MARY LYONS:

Marriage: Nov 28, 1902, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL

vi. MATILDA LYONS, b. Jul 14, 1880, Toulminville, Mobile Co AL.

More About MATILDA LYONS:

Baptism: Nov 15, 1880, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL

vii. WILLIAM LYONS, b. Jan 14, 1882, Toulminville, Mobile Co AL; d. Nov 28, 1956, Mobile, Mobile Co AL;

m. ALMA HOLT, Apr 12, 1910, Mobile Co, AL.

More About WILLIAM LYONS:

Burial: Magnolia Cemetery, Mobile AL

More About WILLIAM LYONS and ALMA HOLT:

Marriage: Apr 12, 1910, Mobile Co, AL

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(2)

JOHN MILLER 1848 in Jackson Co MS. He was born Jan 1822 in Germany.

More About JOSEPH GRAHAM and NANCY LYONS:

Marriage: 1840, Jackson Co MS

More About JOHN MILLER and NANCY LYONS:

Marriage: 1848, Jackson Co MS

Children of NANCY LYONS and JOSEPH GRAHAM are:

i. WILLIAM 8 GRAHAM, b. 1842, Jackson Co MS; m. ELUTICEAN 'ANNA' FAGGARD, 1867, Jackson Co MS.

More About WILLIAM GRAHAM and ELUTICEAN FAGGARD:

Marriage: 1867, Jackson Co MS

ii. MARGARET GRAHAM, b. 1846, Jackson Co MS; m. JOHN NATHAN PEAVY, Jackson Co MS.

More About JOHN PEAVY and MARGARET GRAHAM:

Marriage: Jackson Co MS

Children of NANCY LYONS and JOHN MILLER are:

iii. JOSEPH 8 MILLER, b. 1849, Jackson Co MS; m. AMANDA REDMOND, 1874, Jackson Co MS.

More About JOSEPH MILLER and AMANDA REDMOND:

Marriage: 1874, Jackson Co MS

iv. SARAH MILLER, b. 1852, Jackson Co MS; m. JAMES ROGERS, Dec 23, 1886, Jackson Co MS.

More About JAMES ROGERS and SARAH MILLER:

Marriage: Dec 23, 1886, Jackson Co MS

v. CHARLEY MILLER, b. 1857.

vi. JULIA MILLER, b. 1859, Jackson Co MS; m. WILLIAM VISE, May 16, 1876, Jackson Co MS.

More About WILLIAM VISE and JULIA MILLER:

Marriage: May 16, 1876, Jackson Co MS

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Mobile Co AL.

More About JESSE LONG and MARGARET LYONS:

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More About JOHN HILL and LAURA LYONS:

Marriage: Nov 18, 1865, Mobile Co, AL

iv. MARIA LYONS, b. 1850, Jackson Co MS; m. (1) AUGUSTUS BURKE, Nov 18, 1866, Mobile Co, AL; d. Abt. 1890; m. (2) HERMAN HILDEBRANDT, Mar 07, 1893, Mobile Co, AL.

More About AUGUSTUS BURKE and MARIA LYONS:

Marriage: Nov 18, 1866, Mobile Co, AL

More About HERMAN HILDEBRANDT and MARIA LYONS:

Marriage: Mar 07, 1893, Mobile Co, AL

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More About GEORGE PHILLIPS and MARGARET LYONS:

Marriage: Dec 25, 1878, Mobile Co, AL

vii. FLORENCE M. LYONS, b. 1856, Jackson Co MS; m. JOHN WHITE, Jun 20, 1882, Mobile Co, AL.

More About JOHN WHITE and FLORENCE LYONS:

Marriage: Jun 20, 1882, Mobile Co, AL

viii. AZULINE S. LYONS, b. 1858, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. W. J. BAKER, Apr 25, 1882, Mobile Co, AL.

More About W. BAKER and AZULINE LYONS:

Marriage: Apr 25, 1882, Mobile Co, AL

ix. ALABAMA L. LYONS, b. 1860, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. JAMES LAWRENCE OVERSTREET, Apr 19, 1879, Mobile Co, AL.

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ADELIA HAAFT Abt. 1870 in Mobile Co, AL. She was born Mar 1852 in Mobile, Mobile Co AL, and died Jun 30,

1906 in Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

Notes for SEWELL PETER LYONS:

Sewell and Gabriella had no children.

More About SEWELL PETER LYONS:

Burial: Catholic Cemetery, Mobile AL

More About SEWELL LYONS and GABRIELLA ROMAN:

Marriage: Jackson Co MS

More About ADELIA HAAFT:

Burial: Catholic Cemetery, Mobile AL

More About SEWELL LYONS and ADELIA HAAFT:

Marriage: Abt. 1870, Mobile Co, AL

Children of SEWELL LYONS and ADELIA HAAFT are:

i. ELLA AGNES 8 LYONS, b. 1871, Toulminville, Mobile Co AL; m. HARRY NETTLES, Feb 29, 1892, St.

Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler Mobile Co AL.

More About HARRY NETTLES and ELLA LYONS:

Marriage: Feb 29, 1892, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler Mobile Co AL

ii. JOSEPHINE MARY LYONS, b. 1874, Toulminville, Mobile Co AL; m. JOHN CRABTREE, Feb 16, 1895, St.

Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler Mobile Co AL.

More About JOHN CRABTREE and JOSEPHINE LYONS:

Marriage: Feb 16, 1895, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler Mobile Co AL

iii. SEWELL PETER LYONS, JR., b. Aug 12, 1876, Toulminville, Mobile Co AL; d. Feb 22, 1952, Mobile,

Mobile Co AL; m. (1) MARY 'MAMIE' O'HARA, Dec 1900, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL; d.

Abt. 1904; m. (2) WILLIE BOYD, Oct 29, 1905, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL.

More About SEWELL PETER LYONS, JR.:

Burial: Magnolia Cemetery, Mobile AL

More About SEWELL LYONS and MARY O'HARA:

Marriage: Dec 1900, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL

More About SEWELL LYONS and WILLIE BOYD:

Marriage: Oct 29, 1905, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Whistler AL

iv. CHARLES EDWARD LYONS, b. Apr 19, 1877, Toulminville, Mobile Co AL; m. MATTIE LEE CRANE, Oct

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More About ANDREW CUNNINGHAM and MARY PARKER:

Marriage: May 01, 1877, Jackson Co MS

iv. CLARA CUNNINGHAM, b. Jul 03, 1851, Big Point, Jackson Co MS; m. UNKNOWN MCQUIRTING, Jackson Co MS.

More About UNKNOWN MCQUIRTING and CLARA CUNNINGHAM:

Marriage: Jackson Co MS

v. VIRGINIA ALABAMA CUNNINGHAM, b. Jan 06, 1853, Big Point, Jackson Co MS; m. DELMAS CRONIER, 1870, Jackson Co MS.

More About DELMAS CRONIER and VIRGINIA CUNNINGHAM:

Marriage: 1870, Jackson Co MS

vi. NICOLAS CUNNINGHAM, b. 1856, Big Point, Jackson Co MS; m. MARY E. OLIVER, Aug 08, 1876, Jackson Co MS.

More About NICOLAS CUNNINGHAM and MARY OLIVER:

Marriage: Aug 08, 1876, Jackson Co MS

vii. HARRIET CUNNINGHAM, b. Mar 1859, Big Point, Jackson Co MS; m. JOHN VISE, May 05, 1877, Jackson Co MS.

More About JOHN VISE and HARRIET CUNNINGHAM:

Marriage: May 05, 1877, Jackson Co MS

viii. JACOB JEFFERSON CUNNINGHAM, b. Oct 13, 1863, Big Point, Jackson Co MS; m. (1) MARY D. DAVIS, Mar 16, 1880, Jackson Co MS; d. Abt. 1891; m. (2) MARGARET M. FAULKNER, May 19, 1892, Jackson Co MS.

More About JACOB CUNNINGHAM and MARY DAVIS:

Marriage: Mar 16, 1880, Jackson Co MS

More About JACOB CUNNINGHAM and MARGARET FAULKNER:

Marriage: May 19, 1892, Jackson Co MS

ix. CHARLES WILLIAM ALONZO CUNNINGHAM, b. Jun 06, 1865, Big Point, Jackson Co MS; m. ISABELLA JONES, Mar 04, 1891, Jackson Co MS.

More About CHARLES CUNNINGHAM and ISABELLA JONES:

Marriage: Mar 04, 1891, Jackson Co MS

4. CHARLES 7 LYONS, JR. (HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE

BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born 1817 in Jackson Co MS, and

died Apr 22, 1867 in Mobile, Mobile Co AL. He married HARRIET LONG Oct 22, 1845 in Mobile Co AL. She was born 1830 in Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

More About CHARLES LYONS and HARRIET LONG:

Marriage: Oct 22, 1845, Mobile Co AL

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Children of CHARLES LYONS and HARRIET LONG are:

i. ALFRED 8 LYONS, b. 1846, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. MARY J. UNKNOWN, 1884, Texas.

More About ALFRED LYONS and MARY UNKNOWN:

Marriage: 1884, Texas

ii. ALABAMA G. LYONS, b. 1849, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. RICHARD BURNS, Dec 22, 1869, Mobile Co, AL.

More About RICHARD BURNS and ALABAMA LYONS:

Marriage: Dec 22, 1869, Mobile Co, AL

5. AUSTIN 7 LYONS (HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3

GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born 1820 in Jackson Co MS. He married

AMELIA GRAHAM Oct 21, 1841 in Jackson Co MS, daughter of WILLIAM GRAHAM and ELIZABETH CUMBEST. She was born 1822 in Jackson Co MS.

More About AUSTIN LYONS and AMELIA GRAHAM:

Marriage: Oct 21, 1841, Jackson Co MS

Children of AUSTIN LYONS and AMELIA GRAHAM are:

i. MARY ELIZABETH 8 LYONS, b. 1843, Jackson Co MS; m. JOSEPH SAURIN, May 14, 1862, Mobile Co, AL.

More About JOSEPH SAURIN and MARY LYONS:

Marriage: May 14, 1862, Mobile Co, AL

ii. HARRIET LOUISA LYONS, b. 1844, Jackson Co MS; m. HENRY HALE, Jun 15, 1865, Mobile Co, AL.

More About HENRY HALE and HARRIET LYONS:

Marriage: Jun 15, 1865, Mobile Co, AL

iii. LAURA LYONS, b. 1847, Jackson Co MS; m. JOHN HILL, Nov 18, 1865, Mobile Co, AL.

Notes for JOSHUA WATERS:

Joshua Waters was born in South Carolina about 1789. Some time before 1850, he moved his family to Mobile

Co AL where he started a new farm.

More About JOSHUA WATERS and RAHAMA LYONS:

Marriage: 1834, Jackson Co MS

More About WILLIAM DAILY and RAHAMA LYONS:

Marriage: Jul 03, 1873, Mobile Co, AL

Children of RAHAMA LYONS and JOSHUA WATERS are:

i. CHARLES 8 WATERS, b. 1836, Jackson Co MS; m. SARAH JACKSON, 1861.

More About CHARLES WATERS and SARAH JACKSON:

Marriage: 1861

ii. WILLIAM WATERS, b. 1838, Jackson Co MS; m. BILLISON JONES, Feb 25, 1858, Mobile Co AL.

More About WILLIAM WATERS and BILLISON JONES:

Marriage: Feb 25, 1858, Mobile Co AL

iii. BURRELL WATERS, b. 1840, Jackson Co MS; m. RACHEL EMERSON, Mar 31, 1859, Mobile Co AL.

More About BURRELL WATERS and RACHEL EMERSON:

Marriage: Mar 31, 1859, Mobile Co AL

12. iv. HARRIETT WATERS, b. 1841, Jackson Co MS; d. Nov 1882.

v. WASHINGTON WATERS, b. 1844, Jackson Co MS.

vi. JOHN WATERS, b. 1846, Mobile Co AL; m. MARY ANN MCGEE, Jun 01, 1877, Mobile Co AL.

More About JOHN WATERS and MARY MCGEE:

Marriage: Jun 01, 1877, Mobile Co AL

vii. JOSHUA WATERS, b. 1850, St. Elmo, Mobile Co AL; m. MARY ANN MORROW, Oct 25, 1864, Mobile Co AL.

More About JOSHUA WATERS and MARY MORROW:

Marriage: Oct 25, 1864, Mobile Co AL

viii. ALFRED WATERS, b. 1851, St. Elmo, Mobile Co AL; m. MARGARET MILLER, Jan 10, 1875, Mobile Co AL.

More About ALFRED WATERS and MARGARET MILLER:

Marriage: Jan 10, 1875, Mobile Co AL

3. MARTHA 7 LYONS (HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU

DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born 1815 in Jackson Co MS, and died Abt.

1866. She married JOHN CUNNINGHAM Mar 27, 1840 in Big Point, Jackson Co MS, son of CAPT.

CUNNINGHAM

and CATHERINE CUMBEST. He was born Jan 04, 1815 in Jackson Co MS.

Notes for JOHN CUNNINGHAM:

Baptism of John Cunningham (Mobile Catholic Diocese Archives, Mobile, BB2, p. 655):

On Monday 22 Jan 1816, I, Don Vincente Gener, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church of Mobile, being

on a visit in Pascagoula at the home of Madame Joseph Krebs, baptized and put the Holy Oils to a boy born on 4

Jan 1815, the natural son of Francis Cunningham and Catherine Cumbest. Paternal grandparents were John

Cunningham and Regnen?; maternal grandparents were Simon Combest and Marie. In the sacred ceremonies, the

child was given the name of John. Godparents wre Antonio Ely and Magdalena Combes (Sarah Cumbest), who

were advised of their spiritual parentage.

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More About JOHN CUNNINGHAM:

Baptism: Jan 22, 1816, Pascagoula MS

More About JOHN CUNNINGHAM and MARTHA LYONS:

Marriage: Mar 27, 1840, Big Point, Jackson Co MS

Marriage contract: Mar 27, 1840, Mobile Catholic Diocese Archives, Mobile, BB@, p. 655

Children of MARTHA LYONS and JOHN CUNNINGHAM are:

i. FRANCIS 8 CUNNINGHAM, b. Nov 13, 1842, Big Point, Jackson Co MS.

ii. JAMES W. CUNNINGHAM, b. Mar 16, 1844, Big Point, Jackson Co MS.

iii. ANDREW CUNNINGHAM, b. Jul 25, 1846, Big Point, Jackson Co MS; m. MARY PARKER, May 01, 1877, Jackson Co MS.

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> > Fort(Krebs-LaPoint place) about those old stories of colonial France but
> now
> > I know how I descend from them and I'd still like to...it is hard to get
> > support for the arts around here...I designed art programs for children
> and
> > got them funded when my kids were in school. My son is really looking
> > forward to reading your manuscript..he studys Music Composition at
Tulane
> > University and he'd like to write music about the story..I don't know
what
> > form. I've told him the story. I've become a nut about the
stories..but
> > then I was raised by my Grandmother Archie who did the same. Did you
know
> > her? She was Curator at the Museum for years and never got paid! We
> dressed
> > in costume daily and went with her to do the routines. We used to dress
> for
> > the Old Place too. I realize now that the history was embroidered on by
> > some of the family...but it was better than nothing
> > ! About six months ago I got transferred to Local History/Genealogy
> > Dept.(finally an opening!) . I certainly appreciate the painstaking
> > research that you've done. I just wish we knew more about our Indian
> > ancestors...and their lineages. I guess Graveline's wife was Susanne,
an
> > Indian.... and then I also descend from the
> Fayards...Pacquets...Magdeline,
> > the daughter of Graveline and an Indian...do you know her name..in the
> > sacramental records I only see her as the sister of Graveline's
> illegitimate
> > son. What prejudice! Are we sure they were Choctaw?
> > Well, I understand you practice Psychotherapy? My daughter Laura is
> > studying at Ole Miss and wants to be a shrink. My degree is from
Stephens
> > College in English..but I studied Combined Arts Therapy there and also
> > studied with Ben Ploger, grandfather of art therapy in New Orleans and
> I've
> > used visual art, music, drama and spoken word as therapy on myself and
> > shared it with others but in an informal way as a joy. I did work on
> > several projects in Nicaragua with war traumatized children...the
> > Presbyterian Burnham fund was generous to fund it. And now I'm working
up
> > here organizing local history and helping folks do research. Please let
> me
> > know if you come to town..I'd love to welcome you and entertain you and
> your
> > wife and kids and friends.
> > Sincerely,
> > Renee Gautier-Hague
> > Did you go to PHS? I graduated in 1971.

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Marriage: 1844, Jackson Co MS

Children of MARGARET LYONS and JESSE LONG are:

i. SARAH J.8 LONG, b. 1846, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. LEANDER B. FORDNEY, Jan 07, 1864, Mobile Co, AL.

More About LEANDER FORDNEY and SARAH LONG:

Marriage: Jan 07, 1864, Mobile Co, AL

ii. JESSE N. LONG, b. 1848, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. JEMIMA 'JANE' SCHAMAHORN, Oct 18, 1869, Mobile Co, AL.

More About JESSE LONG and JEMIMA SCHAMAHORN:

Marriage: Oct 18, 1869, Mobile Co, AL

iii. WILLIAM HARRISON LONG, b. 1850, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. KANSAS YEATES, Dec 02, 1875, Mobile Co, AL.

More About WILLIAM LONG and KANSAS YEATES:

Marriage: Dec 02, 1875, Mobile Co, AL

iv. ELLIS LONG, b. 1853, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. (1) AENONE BAKER, Feb 02, 1877, Mobile Co, AL; d. Abt. 1883, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. (2) NANCY A. BAKER, Oct 31, 1884, Mobile Co, AL; d. Abt. 1896, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. (3) CORINE MAPLES, Feb 18, 1897, Mobile Co, AL.

More About ELLIS LONG and AENONE BAKER:

Marriage: Feb 02, 1877, Mobile Co, AL

More About ELLIS LONG and NANCY BAKER:

Marriage: Oct 31, 1884, Mobile Co, AL

More About ELLIS LONG and CORINE MAPLES:

Marriage: Feb 18, 1897, Mobile Co, AL

9. JOHN HENRY 7 LYONS (HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE

BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born 1831 in Jackson Co MS, and

died Sep 20, 1853 in Mobile, Mobile Co AL. He married NANCY WHATLEY Jun 19, 1853 in Mobile Co AL, daughter of TISDALE WHATLEY and SARAH GILL. She was born in Scott Co MS, and died Abt. 1880 in Mobile,

Mobile Co AL.

More About JOHN LYONS and NANCY WHATLEY:

Marriage: Jun 19, 1853, Mobile Co AL

Child of JOHN LYONS and NANCY WHATLEY is:

13. i. **JOHN HENRY 8 LYONS, JR.**, b. Mar 30, 1853, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; d. Jan 20, 1929, Grand Bay, Mobile. **John Henry Lyons Jr.** m. in c.1878 **ElizaJane Johnson** b. 1862 d. 1929 d/o **James Johnson and Amanda Lane** Co

AL.

10. JACOB C.7 LYONS (HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU

DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born 1831 in Jackson Co MS, and died Dec

15, 1910 in Mobile, Mobile Co AL. He married FRANCES BYRNES 1872 in Jackson Co MS. She was born Nov 1847 in Jackson Co MS.

More About JACOB LYONS and FRANCES BYRNES:

Marriage: 1872, Jackson Co MS

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Children of JACOB LYONS and FRANCES BYRNES are:

i. SAMUEL C.8 LYONS, b. Oct 1873, Whistler, Mobile Co AL; m. MINNIE LYONS, Apr 11, 1911, Mobile Co, AL.

More About SAMUEL LYONS and MINNIE LYONS:

Marriage: Apr 11, 1911, Mobile Co, AL

ii. HARRIET 'LULA' LYONS, b. Dec 1876, Whistler, Mobile Co AL; m. WILLIAM NEWELL, Jan 22, 1895, Mobile Co, AL.

More About WILLIAM NEWELL and HARRIET LYONS:

Marriage: Jan 22, 1895, Mobile Co, AL

iii. CHARLES B. LYONS, b. Nov 1878, Whistler, Mobile Co AL.

iv. ETTA BYRNES LYONS, b. Jun 1882, Whistler, Mobile Co AL; m. WILLIAM H. THOMPSON, Nov 27, 1906, Mobile Co, AL.

More About WILLIAM THOMPSON and ETTA LYONS:

Marriage: Nov 27, 1906, Mobile Co, AL

11. WILLIAM 7 LYONS (HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born Jul 1834 in Jackson Co MS. He

married NANCY JANE PHISTOLE Nov 19, 1857 in Mobile Co AL. She was born May 1840 in Jackson Co MS. More About WILLIAM LYONS and NANCY PHISTOLE:

Marriage: Nov 19, 1857, Mobile Co AL

Children of WILLIAM LYONS and NANCY PHISTOLE are:

i. CHARLES AUGUSTUS 8 LYONS, b. Sep 1858, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; d. May 1931, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. ANNIE C. COVAS, Oct 22, 1914.

More About CHARLES LYONS and ANNIE COVAS:

Marriage: Oct 22, 1914

ii. MARY LYONS, b. 1861, Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

iii. GEORGIE LYONS, b. 1864, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. DAVID D. BRIGGS, Aug 25, 1887, Mobile Co, AL.

More About DAVID BRIGGS and GEORGIE LYONS:

Marriage: Aug 25, 1887, Mobile Co, AL

iv. ALMIRA LYONS, b. Sep 1868, Mobile, Mobile Co AL.

v. ELIZABETH 'LIZZIE' LYONS, b. Jun 1873, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. OMEGA D. DILLING, Nov 27, 1901, Mobile Co, AL.

More About OMEGA DILLING and ELIZABETH LYONS:

Marriage: Nov 27, 1901, Mobile Co, AL

vi. ELLA MAY LYONS, b. Jun 1876, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. JAMES E. LANGMAID, Sep 30, 1903, Mobile Co, AL.

More About JAMES LANGMAID and ELLA LYONS:

Marriage: Sep 30, 1903, Mobile Co, AL

vii. HELEN MARIE LYONS, b. Feb 1879, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. LEWIS LOSSING, Apr 25, 1900, Mobile Co, AL.

More About LEWIS LOSSING and HELEN LYONS:

Marriage: Apr 25, 1900, Mobile Co, AL

viii. ETTA LYONS, b. Aug 1882, Mobile, Mobile Co AL; m. DARRELL BOOKER, Nov 05, 1909, Mobile Co, AL.

More About DARRELL BOOKER and ETTA LYONS:

Marriage: Nov 05, 1909, Mobile Co, AL

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12. HARRIETT 8 WATERS (RAHAMA 7 LYONS, HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN

BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born 1841 in Jackson

Co MS, and died Nov 1882. She married WILLIAM "BILLY" THOMPSON May 05, 1860 in Mobile Co AL. He was

born Abt. 1840, and died Jan 1883.

More About WILLIAM THOMPSON and HARRIETT WATERS:

Marriage: May 05, 1860, Mobile Co AL

Child of HARRIETT WATERS and WILLIAM THOMPSON is:

14. i. MARGARET 9 THOMPSON, b. Dec 11, 1877; d. Apr 20, 1916.

13. JOHN HENRY 8 LYONS, JR. (JOHN HENRY 7 , HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN

BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born Mar

30, 1853 in

Mobile, Mobile Co AL, and died Jan 20, 1929 in Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL. He married ELIZABETH JANE JOHNSON Mar 13, 1877 in Mobile Co, AL.

More About JOHN HENRY LYONS, JR.:

Burial: Union Church Cemetery, Grand Bay AL

More About JOHN LYONS and ELIZABETH JOHNSON:

Marriage: Mar 13, 1877, Mobile Co, AL

Children of JOHN LYONS and ELIZABETH JOHNSON are:

i. RUBEN E. 9 LYONS, b. Mar 15, 1878, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; d. May 29, 1945, Mobile, Mobile Co AL;

m. CELESTINE BOSARGE, Jun 17, 1903, Mobile Co, AL.

More About RUBEN LYONS and CELESTINE BOSARGE:

Marriage: Jun 17, 1903, Mobile Co, AL

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ii. CHARLES OLLIE LYONS, b. Feb 27, 1880, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; m. LULA E. JOHNSON, Aug 06, 1902, Mobile Co, AL.

More About CHARLES LYONS and LULA JOHNSON:

Marriage: Aug 06, 1902, Mobile Co, AL

iii. ELLIS A. LYONS, b. Feb 27, 1882, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; d. 1958, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; m. MARY O. BRINKMAN, Apr 01, 1902, Mobile Co, AL.

More About ELLIS A. LYONS:

Burial: Union Church Cemetery, Grand Bay AL

Child of DOROTHY JOHNSON and SAMUEL WALTERS is: More About ELLIS LYONS and MARY BRINKMAN:

Marriage: Apr 01, 1902, Mobile Co, AL

iv. GEORGIA LYONS, b. Aug 25, 1885, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; m. EMP TREHERN.

v. MARGARET JANE LYONS, b. Jun 25, 1887, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; m. JOHN KNOX MONTEITH, Feb 21, 1904.

More About JOHN MONTEITH and MARGARET LYONS:

Marriage: Feb 21, 1904

15. vi. MATILDA 'MAZIE' LYONS, b. Sep 21, 1889, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; d. Jan 25, 1967, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL.

vii. LILLIE LYONS, b. Apr 21, 1892, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; d. Jan 04, 1913; m. ROBERT LADNIER.

Notes for ROBERT LADNIER:

Source: Randall Ladnier

Robert was PROBABLY the son of Edward Ladnier and Kate Polescheck, but this is not proven.

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viii. PEARL LYONS, b. Nov 23, 1894, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; m. ANDREW MALLETTE.

ix. ELIZABETH 'LIZZIE' LYONS, b. Feb 17, 1897, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; m. ERNEST PAUL SMITH.

x. HAZEL LYONS, b. Jan 04, 1901, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; m. JOHN WHITEHEAD.

xi. JOHN DANIEL LYONS, b. Jun 17, 1903, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; d. Aug 18, 1973; m. KATIE TILLMAN.

xii. JAMES LYONS, b. Sep 10, 1907, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; d. Jan 18, 1929, Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL; m. HARRIET HALL.

More About JAMES LYONS:

Burial: Union Church Cemetery, Grand Bay AL

Generation No. 4

14. MARGARET 9 THOMPSON (HARRIETT 8 WATERS, RAHAMA 7 LYONS, HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 ,

,JEAN

,BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 ,

JEAN

BAUDREAU

DIT 1) was born Dec 11, 1877, and died Apr 20, 1916. She married WILLIAM JACKSON JOHNSON Mar 10, 1895 in

Mobile Co AL. He was born Jan 15, 1872, and died Jun 09, 1897.

More About WILLIAM JOHNSON and MARGARET THOMPSON:

Marriage: Mar 10, 1895, Mobile Co AL

Child of MARGARET THOMPSON and WILLIAM JOHNSON is:

16. i. MAURICE JOSEPH 10 JOHNSON, b. Dec 14, 1897; d. Jul 29, 1977.

15. MATILDA 'MAZIE' 9 LYONS (JOHN HENRY 8 , JOHN HENRY 7 , HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4

BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU

DIT 1) was

born Sep 21, 1889 in Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL, and died Jan 25, 1967 in Grand Bay, Mobile Co AL. She married JOHN W. CLARK. He was born 1888 in Mobile, Mobile Co AL, and died 1973 in Grand Bay, Mobile Co

AL.

More About MATILDA 'MAZIE' LYONS:

Burial: Oddfellows Cemetery, Bayou la Batre AL

Child of MATILDA LYONS and JOHN CLARK is:

i. VELMA 10 CLARK, b. Jun 1910.

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16. MAURICE JOSEPH 10 JOHNSON (MARGARET 9 THOMPSON, HARRIETT 8 WATERS, RAHAMA 7 LYONS,

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BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE,
URBAIN BAUDREAUDIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born Dec 14, 1897, and died Jul 29, 1977. He married OSIE BELL
MILLER Oct

04, 1919 in Mobile Co AL. She was born Apr 06, 1900, and died May 27, 1999.

More About MAURICE JOHNSON and OSIE MILLER:

Marriage: Oct 04, 1919, Mobile Co AL

Child of MAURICE JOHNSON and OSIE MILLER is:

17. i. DOROTHY ELOISE 11 JOHNSON, b. Oct 02, 1920.

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17. DOROTHY ELOISE 11 JOHNSON (MAURICE JOSEPH 10 , MARGARET 9 THOMPSON, HARRIETT 8 WATERS,
RAHAMA 7LYONS, HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE 5 , JEAN BAPTISTE 4 BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU
DIT 3 GRAVELINE,URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN BAUDREAU DIT 1) was born Oct 02, 1920. She married SAMUEL WILLIAM
WALTERS

Jun 11, 1942 in Mobile Co AL. He was born Jul 19, 1919, and died Jul 07, 1962.

More About SAMUEL WALTERS and DOROTHY JOHNSON:

Marriage: Jun 11, 1942, Mobile Co AL

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Child of DOROTHY JOHNSON and SAMUEL WALTERS is:

i. DOROTHY EUGENIA 12 WALTERS, b. Dec 23, 1943; m. ROY EDWARD PARKER, Apr 06, 1962; b. Apr 14,
1940.

More About ROY PARKER and DOROTHY WALTERS:

Marriage: Apr 06, 1962

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18. ELIZABETH 'LIZZIE' 9 LYONS> (JOHN HENRY 8 , JOHN HENRY 7 , HENRIETTE 6 BAPTISTE, PIERRE
5 , JEAN

BAPTISTE 4

BAUDREAU II, JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT 3 GRAVELINE, URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT 2 , JEAN
BAUDREAU

DIT 1) was born in 1897. She married Ernest Paul Smith. in 1915.

Child of Elizabeth Lyons and Ernest Paul Smith is: i Terril b.1916 d. 199?

ii Paul Henry b. d.

iii Herman Ansel b.1928 d.1987 m. Mary Maxine Ladnier in 1950 (see homepage to get information on my parents)

iv Homer b.1924 d.1929

v Ernest Earl b. d.

vi Minnie Jane b. d.

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Sherry Owens

Baptiste 49

From: rladnier@comcast.net
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2003 12:48 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: article on Jean Baptiste and Henriette

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Renee,

Thanks for the tip on GAUTIER. Sorry, I neglected to include my mailing address in my first email.

I was born in Gulfport in 1942 and lived in a variety of small towns in Mississippi because my parents were teachers when I was a child. My father was from Saucier, Ms. and my mother from Pineville which is near Pass Christian. I went to high school at St. Joseph Seminary in Covington, LA. I have a private practice here in Sarasota and my wife teaches 5th grade. I have 2 children with my first wife who was from Montgomery, AL and 2 children with my second wife who is from Houston, TX.

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----- Original Message -----

From: "Sherry Owens" <pggen@jgrrl.lib.ms.us>
To: <rladnier@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2003 11:41 AM
Subject: RE: article on Jean Baptiste and Henriette

> Randall,
> Thanks for the chart....it's now in the Graveline and Baptiste files.
As
> I told you before, I descend from Martha Gargaret and Louis Fayard,
through
> their son Ursin F. married Genevieve Ryan(cousin) and their daughter
Theresa
> Fayard married Fernando Gautier..his son Walter and Emily Donovan(who is
> Simon dit Lapointe's descendant). Anyway, Walter Gautier had three sons,
> James, Hermes, and Henry. Henry was my Grandpa, who married Archie Quinn
of
> Simpson Co., whose sister Hattie married brother Hermes. I have
everything
> on Auguste Gautier down...actually my cousin Roy Wilkinson in Pensacola
has
> a great site where he has published much on the Gautiers, except the
living.
> Anytime you want info on the Gautiers I'll be glad to get it for you. On

240. Henriette Baptiste

On 5 April 1795, I, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church of Mobile, baptized and put the Holy Bible to a girl, daughter of Pierre Baptiste and Marianne Jacob and gave her the name of Henriette. Godparents were Henry Kager and Petronille Gallagos for the Widow Massuri, who were advised of their spiritual parentage. In faith whereof I sign it.

Rev. Constantine McKenna

I hereby certify that the above
is a true copy from:
(Translated/transcribed)
Baptismal Register for White People
Parish of the Immaculate Conception
Mobile, Alabama
Book 2 - Section 8
1781 - 1850



Bernadette Hatcher

Archivist

May 11, 2000

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The Governor General Carondelet to Peter Baptiste.

Senior Governor and Intendant General.

Peter Baptiste, who resides in the jurisdiction of Mobile, in the most respectful manner petitions your Excellency and says; That in the year one thousand seven hundred and twenty six the Widow Buet departed this life leaving your petitioner sole heir to her plantation situated on the Creek or Rivulet called Orbane, and bounded on the East by said stream and on the West by the Bayou Hannon, about seven leagues distant from the town of Mobile and as he has no grant for the said land, the same having been lost when the English were in possession of this country; he humbly hopes that your Excellency will grant this his petition and order that the necessary title for said land may be issued to him from the office of the Secretary of this province. May it please your Excellency to comply with the prayer of this petitioner and receive many thanks for your kindness. (Dated) Mobile, the sixth day of October in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

(Subscribed) Pe. Baptiste.

I, Don Manuel de Lanzas, Commander of the Regiment of Louisiana and civil and military Commandant of the post and jurisdiction of Mobile; Do hereby certify. That it appears from the testimony of many of the inhabitants of this jurisdiction, which I have taken on this subject, that the land for which the petitioner prays a grant actually belongs to him and that no other person has a title to the said land. And in order that this may at all times appear; I have given this Certificate at Mobile the seventh day of October, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

-(Signed) Manuel de Lanzas.

New Orleans, Oct. 22d An.Dom. 1792.

The Commandant of the post of Mobile will put the petitioner in possession of the tract of land described situated in front between the Bayou Hannon and the above mentioned water course called Orbane, which shall extend forty arpens in depth, at the place designated in the above memorial provided the same is vacant and that no injury is thereby done. On the express condition that he makes the customary road and other improvements required within one year. And if the said tract of land shall not be occupied and cultivated within the term of three years then this grant shall be null and void during which time, he shall not sell or in any way alienate said land. On the performance of these conditions he may proceed to have the survey of said land completed, a plat and certificate of which shall be transmitted to me, in order that the petitioner shall be furnished with the necessary titles in due form.

(Signed) El Baron de Carondelet.

John Cuddeny the Governor and Lieutenant General.


John Cuddeny and I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the petition of the petitioners in the most respectful manner and to inform them that in the year 1790 the petitioners were ordered and directed to the Prisoners Report the life, leaving your petitioners to be of her Satisfaction in the case on the River and on the East by sea. The petitioners are in the West by the Bay of the petitioners about the year 1790 from the year, and as he has no grant for the land of the year, the same being been lost when the petitioners were in possession of the country. He humbly hopes that your Excellency will grant him the said land, and order the petitioners to be ordered in the year, from the year 1790 of the year. Therefore, your petitioners expect your Excellency to order as follows for, and in doing he will receive great favor. While with you of October, in the year 1790.

one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

(Signed) Peter Baptiste.


I Manuel de Sauras, Captain of the Regiment of Louisiana Infantry, Civil and Military Commandant of the Town of Mobile and its District.

Do hereby certify, that the tract of land prayed for by the petitioner is vacant and actually belongs to him in absolute property, and further, that no other person has a title to the same, agreeable to his representation and conformity to the information acquired to that effect from several Inhabitants of this place, to all which I certify. In testimony whereof I grant this present at Mobile on the Seventh day of the Month of October, one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

(Signed) Manuel de Sauras. 

New Orleans twenty second day of October one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

The Commandant of Mobile, will give the petitioner in possession of the tract of land above designated, having for its front between Bayou Thamon and the above mentioned Water course called Osbane; it being well understood, with the usual depth only of forty arpens at the place pointed out in the preceding Memorial; provided that the same is vacant and without causing injury to a third person; under the express conditions, that he shall make the customary Road and clear sufficient ground thereon within the space term of one year, and this grant shall be void, if at the expiration of the exact period of three years, the said land should not be actually occupied and cultivated, during which time he shall not sell it, or in any other way dispose of the same. In consequence of which, let the proceedings of the Survey be made out in continuation herewith, to be transmitted to me, in order to provide the petitioner with the corresponding title in due form.

(Signed) A. Baron de Lardouet. 

Subj: Re: [BaptisteFamily] Re: Welcome Tom Boudreau!
Date: 07/15/2000 12:17:43 AM Pacific Daylight Time
From: mart2542@aol.com
Reply-to: BaptisteFamily@egroups.com
To: BaptisteFamily@egroups.com

David, while I believe you are certainly entitled to your opinion in the matter of the parents of Pierre Baptiste, I must agree to disagree with you.

At this point in time, we have no documentation regarding his birth or his parents. I realize there is much speculation regarding Pierre – books have been written in the past and I understand books are "in the mill" at this time to take advantage of the Mobile Tricentennial Celebration in 2002. But to unequivocally and categorically make an accusation that someone is illegitimate without proof is slanderous. Pierre Baptiste is not alive to defend himself against such accusations, but I for one as a direct descendant will do whatever is necessary to develop the TRUTH of his parentage and to defend his honor if required. My interest is in the truth – not speculation, not supposition, not monetary rewards from publications.

Now, having gone on record in this respect, I feel that Randall has dedicated many years and accomplished an enormous amount of research regarding this subject in Mobile, New Orleans and in France. In his manuscript Jean Baptiste and Henriette - A Creole Tragedy, he cites various documents he discovered in this research. Yet, as he states, he was unable to find a record that would prove the existence of a son for Jean Baptiste and Henriette (p. 52). The page references given below are from Randall's manuscript.

On page 5, Randall quotes a "laundry list" of accusations which Ignace Petit filed on September 1, 1743 in an attempt to gain control of Widow Huet's property. Petit himself claims "heir" to her property in one of his petitions dated March 30, 1744 (p. 13). Obviously, this claim is based on the fact that Petit married Marie Francoise Huet and he is Widow Huet's son-in-law. What happened to Petit after June 1745 is unknown and Randall comments that nothing further is heard from him (p. 23). Whether he and Francoise had children (who would be Widow Huet's grandchildren and rightful heirs) is unknown. Also, whether he, Francoise or their children (if any) were living in 1767 when Widow Huet died is unknown.

Petit filed a petition on behalf of his wife Francoise dated January 26, 1744 (p. 11 of Randall's manuscript) in which he charges Jean Baptiste Baudreau with kidnapping his sister-in-law, Henriette, and taking property belonging to the Estate of Guillaume Huet. The couple is intercepted in Havana and Baudreau is returned to New Orleans – the ship's captain invoiced for reimbursement of meals for Baudreau and "his son" on the return trip June 23 - July 18, 1744 (p. 19).

Fleuriau, on behalf of the King, grants Petit guardianship of both Widow Huet and Henriette as of March 30, 1744, with this comment: "...because everyone in this Colony knows of the bad conduct of the mother of the Huet girl..." (p. 14). As Randall notes in his manuscript, Petit was trying every trick in the book to get his greedy little paws on Widow Huet's property and was painting as bad a picture as possible of both Widow Huet and her daughter, Henriette. He even kidnapped Widow Huet and took her to his home in New Orleans! But this strong-willed lady persevered and finally reached a settlement with Petit on November 9, 1744.

Creditors, however, were still seeking remuneration for expenses involved in the return of Baudreau and Henriette. On June 5, 1745, Petit files his last petition seeking to evade any responsibility while he was guardian. It is in this petition that Petit objects to his responsibility "by an order [of the Superior Council of the Province of Louisiana] dated August 14, 1744, without having considered the fact that the girl is a minor and that she has two children for whom she is responsible..." and further states that "Mr. Forestal is without doubt one of those people who believe that the crime of a young girl who has children outside of a marriage is comparable to a crime such as the one for which Beaudreau has been sentenced, since he demonstrated compassion for their father by feeding the said Beaudreau at his table, and yet he insists on having payment today from an unfortunate girl who has been stripped of everything" and Petit requests dismissal "because of the minor age of the Huet girl" (p. 23). It is very clear from this record that Henriette has two children by Baudreau as of August 1744.

Who are these two children? That's the \$64,000 question!!!

1. We have a copy of the Cathedral marriage record dated December 21, 1760 of Jacques Milon to Julie, daughter of Henriette Huet, widow of Baptiste Bideau. This record is witnessed by a half dozen people. Julie signs simply "Julie", with no surname. Henriette signs as "Widow Bidaut". Certainly if Pierre Baptiste is Julie's brother and in Mobile in 1760 he would have been present at his sister's wedding and signed her marriage record.

*Pierre
14 yrs. old*

2. Love's Legacy presents a marriage record dated about 1767-1768 between Barthelmy Grelot and Marie Jeanne Nicaise. One of the dozen witnesses is "P. Baptiste". Jacqueline Vidrine makes this comment: "P(ierre) Baptiste, in Mobile since the 1750s". Is this the signature of Julie's brother? If he was in Mobile since the 1750s and is witnessing a friend's wedding in 1767, why didn't he witness his own sister's wedding in 1760? We have contacted Jacqueline who said she will try to locate her research notes to determine what led her to make the comment that P. Baptiste was in Mobile in the 1750s.

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Deb has found original Cathedral records on our Pierre Baptiste in the baptismal records of his first son Jean Pierre Baptiste who was born in March 1783. We have not found the marriage record of Pierre Baptiste and Marguerite Jacob at this time. Pierre died in Mobile in 1813. We have the Spanish Census Report dated January 1, 1786 in which Pedro Bautista (age 39) and wife Margarita (age 30) are listed. We have the January 1, 1787 Spanish Census Report in which Pedro Bautista (age 40) and wife MarieAnne (age 31) are listed. According to these census records, our Pierre Baptiste would have been born about 1746.

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According to Petit's petitions cited in Randall's manuscript, Henriette Huet already had two children by Baudreau as of August 1744.

And to further muddy the waters regarding "Pierre Baptiste", Howard has furnished a quote from The Journal of the Jackson County Genealogical Society Vol. 1, citing: "Death - we regret to announce that Mr. Peter Baptiste, a member of an old and highly respected family in this section of country identified with it since its first settlement, died in the village on the Sea Coast last Saturday." It is dated The Star of Pascagoula, Saturday, June 13, 1874, Vol. 2., No. 26, Page 3, Col. 1. It says he is a descendant of the original settlers of Pascagoula and as we all know Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline was the founder of Pascagoula. Who in the world is THIS Pierre

Baptiste? Deb has identified through church records the sons of our Pierre Baptiste and none died in 1874 in Pascagoula MS. So who is this guy?

3. Randall references a list of French families in Mobile in October 1764 who swore allegiance to King George III (p. 52), that contains the names: Hendriet Hewitt and Pierre Hewitt. Randall believes this refers to Henriette Huet and Pierre Huet [her son]. Henriette had married Jean Baptiste Bidaut in 1748 and was widowed in 1755. She signed the marriage record of her daughter Julie in 1760 as "Widow Bidaut". The women of those days seem to be referenced by their husband's name and she had been known in this small community as the Widow Bidaut since 1755. Also, she was embroiled in more court proceedings with her mother-in-law and was signing her name "Widow Bidaut" as late as 1763 (p. 49). It is highly unlikely that she would have signed her maiden name the next year. And if indeed this "Pierre Hewitt" in 1764 is our Pierre Baptiste, why did he drop the Hewitt surname a couple of years later in 1767 when he witnessed the marriage record of Barthelemy Grelot and signed simply "P. Baptiste"?

My heart truly goes out to Henriette. As a young girl she was swayed by one of the most dashing figures of that time and place – a married man with a wife and four children – and suffered the consequences (as only a single mother can understand and certainly compounded in the 1700s) of having two children by him. She became the ward of her money-grubbing brother-in-law Ignace Petit and endured years of court battles as she and her mother tried to keep her father's estate out of Petit's hands. As the mother of two illegitimate children, she was married off to a church warden Jean Baptiste Bidaut in 1748 – I still can't figure this! At his death in 1755, she was once again in court for some eight years with her mother-in-law over her husband's estate. Her mother Perrine Huet died on November 28, 1767. Henriette died February 9, 1770. May she rest in peace! She certainly deserves it.

We still have no proof of record to identify our Pierre Baptiste. What is his connection to Perrine Huet? How can he refer to himself as "sole heir" to Widow Huet's plantation? Did Francoise and Ignace have children? Julie and Jacques Milon certainly had a very large family. How can Pierre Baptiste be "sole heir"? Was Jean Baptiste Huet, the son of Guillaume and Perrine, ever married? Could he have had children before he died in New Orleans in 1740? He was in Mobile in 1721 and living on Dauphin Island with his family, so he could have been in his early 20's when he died. Also, the census says there are four children in 1721. Who is the fourth child? Randall has indicated it may be Marie Jeanne Huet who appears on some of the baptism records that Deb has found. Or Marie Jeanne Huet could have been Jean Baptiste Huet's wife !! We need to try to identify this fourth child of Guillaume and Perrine's.

As Jan has reminded us, land was VERY important to the early settlers. Vicious storms threatened property and crops, lack of food threatened livestock, Indian raids and battles threatened their welfare – but the land remained constant. Land was not deeded frivolously. Land was the most important inheritance that one person could leave to another because it meant that the heir would be ensured a livelihood. One could lose every possession, but with land one could rebuild and survive.

Pierre Baptiste states on October 6, 1792 that he is the "sole heir" of Widow Huet's plantation and that he lost ownership documentation to the land when the English were in control of Mobile. Someone please check my history, but

I believe the British were in control from about 1760 to 1786. Perrine (Widow Huet) died in 1767. Her daughter Henriette (Widow Bidaut) survived her by three years. We don't know if her daughter Francoise Huet Petit was still alive in 1767. Would not Henriette or Francoise have been Perrine's heirs first before any of her grandchildren? Pierre states that he had title to Widow Huet's land (not Widow Bidaut's land).

In the American State Papers Class 8, Jean Pierre Baptiste (Pierre's oldest son) filed a claim in the District East of Pearl River for land dated April 11, 1814, and listed Pierre Baptiste, who died in 1813, as the "Original Claimant", and lists Pierre's children claiming as only heirs. Cousin Tommy has furnished us with copies of old Mobile County maps identifying numerous land locations owned by our Pierre Baptiste in the Bayou la Batre / Fowl River / Mobile areas. Jan is researching the neighboring land ownership to the plots owned by Pierre, and Deb has found these neighbors listed on baptismal certificates for Pierre's children. This was a small community in the 1700s and these witnessed significant moments for each other such as weddings and baptisms. They lived next door to each other. They often intermarried. They traveled freely between Mobile, Pascagoula, New Orleans. Records supporting these events could be in any number of places and we must be patient in our search.

I am convinced, however, that the truth will surface. I implore others not to "rush to judgment" but to report the history of our Pierre Baptiste sagaciously. It is very tempting to weave fanciful tales to the obvious delight of an audience satiated in today's base standards, but please do not malign our ancestor.

"What will be, will be" as the saying goes and I know the truth will come forward.

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Baptiste 59

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 5:48 AM
To: pggen@jgrl.lib.ms.us
Subject: Glo records

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Hi, I live at Hilton Head Island, SC and belong to The Heritage Library, a private library for genealogical and historical research. I am researching family of Pierre Baptiste, ca 1746 Mobile, AL. I am most interested in the Pre-1814 Land Claims East of the Pearl particularly the bound records of the GLO...1767-1892 microfilm M1382, roll #8. I was told you may have that film and would like to know if it would be possible to borrow that film via The Heritage Library. If that is not possible, do you know how I may obtain a copy. Kindest regards, Jan Davis-Shannon

8/11/03

Sherry Owens

Baptiste 60

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 3:31 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Baptiste land patents

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Renee, I can access the type and send you the doc. and serial #, name, and date of the Homestead ones. I'm sure I can find 2-or 3. Jacob Pierre does have a homestead one. I'll find it for you and get back to you. I'll also try and find one or two more homesteads in the Battiste early family. Thanks, jan p.s. Anything of interest on the roll of microfilm...especially at the end of the roll?

8/11/03

Sherry Owens

Baptiste 62

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 4:28 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Baptiste land

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Renee, This search isn't going too well on my end. I do have Jacob Pierre's homestead, but it's Jacob Pierre Jr. as late as Feb. 4, 1888. The spelling is Jacob P. BATEASTE, document #4978; Misc. Doc. Nr: 102446; Accession/Seroa; #: AL4680__381; BLM Serial #: AL NO S/N

I had mistakenly thought Jacob Sr. patent under Babtiste (or something like that) was homestead, but it's cash. I'll double check, but can't find one early that is a homestead. I don't know if there would be anything in Jr's that would reflect who his grandfather was....wish I could get a first generation instead of second. Hang in there...I'll figure something out! Later, jan

Sherry Owens

Baptiste 63

From: Jan Davis-Shannon
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 9:36 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Samuel

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Hi Renee, I have read Bienville's Will....I think it was because of his importance to the French government, that his liaison with an Indian woman was kept quiet..France certainly didn't want that...the Catholic Church didn't either...an illegitimate half breed of a official of the French Colony was not something that would have been recorded much in Church or Governmental records...even Henriette Huet's name was for a while protected when Petite stated that (paraphrased)...the whole colony knew...but refrained from stating in that particular record that she was the mother of an illegitimate child...that only came later when he became so desperate to obtain monies....and control...Jay told me that it was pretty well known of a Indian child named Jean Baptiste around the camps was probably Bienville's...And there are the two Church records where Bienville and "wife" attended...Oddly, one of those records was at the wedding of LaLande who had property at Belle Fontaine, as did Marguerite and Pierre Baptiste! Most of the research done on our family was not done by direct descendant's of Pierre's....I feel the most important thing that they failed to have was verbal family tradition and oral history passed down...Kindest regards, Jan

----- Original Message -----

From: Sherry Owens
To: Jan Davis-Shannon
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 9:59 AM
Subject: RE: Samuel

Yes Jan, I had that info but thanks very much for thinking of me. I haven't really found anything else on Baptiste/Baudreaus...accept a land record of Jacob Hamon and it calls him a "free mulatto"..I knew he was Creole but didn't know he was colored Creole but there were a lot of free people of color in the early colony..I think the French encouraged their initiative and they also mated with their slaves and then the offspring would be free.

Very soon, I'm going to have the opportunity to see some translated Spanish archives that haven't been published so I hope to learn much more about our early families.

I finished the biography on Bienville and am starting one on D'Iberville. B was an amazing man who didn't get credit in his lifetime for everything he did. He really is the father of the Gulf Coast. Its too bad he didn't marry...but then maybe he did! but I wish there was a better accounting of it. It just seems as important as he was that his offspring would have been noticed. Have you ever read his will? It's a beautiful document.

Sincerely,

9/13/03

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Legal Rep. of - [illegible]

Pierre Baptiste

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I warrant to an order of Survey dated November 23rd 1842 issued by the
 Register of the Land Office at St. Stephens, Alabama. I have surveyed
 in this time and legal representation of Pierre Baptiste a tract of land
 situate on Mobile Bay and the waters of "La Belle Fontaine" in French
 1st Section of Range 8th West, bounded and described as follows. Viz:
 Beginning at a post on the margin of Mobile Bay (being also the corner
 of the claim of Charles Lalande) 20.00 due South of the parallel
 between Sections, 28 & 29 a line due bearing N 25 E 1/4 dist 8 1/2 links, mark
 XIII. a Cypress bearing S 87 1/4 W dist 6 1/2 links marked XIII; thence due
 East at 19.36 crossed the line between Sections, 29 & 30. 59.36 chains,
 S 10 E 1/4, South West Corner, 79.36 chains to a lightwood post from
 which S 21 E 1/4 77 links Pine marked XIII P.B. S 17 W 1/4 112 links Pine
 marked XIII P.B; thence due South 60.68 to a lightwood post on the
 parallel C between Sections 30 & 31 from which S 71 E 0.36 Pine marked
 XIII P.B. S 14 E 1/4 0.44 Pine marked XIII P.B; thence with the section line
 due East 20.00 to a light wood post from which S 83 E 1/4 0.16 Pine
 marked XIII P.B. S 85 1/4 E 0.58 Pine marked XIII P.B; thence due East 10
 20.00 to a light wood post from which S 68 W 0.08 Pine marked XIII
 P.B; S 48 E 0.13 Pine marked XIII P.B; thence due East at 39.50 crossed
 the line between Sections 31 & 32. 48.50 crossed branch 6.00 wide, 59.50
 crossed Little Swamp 5.00 wide, 72.52 to a post on the margin of the
 Bay of Mobile from which S 37 W 0.11 Pine marked XIV P.B. S 56 W 0.22
 Pine marked XIV P.B thence with the margin of Mobile Bay N 10 E 1/4
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 S 10 S 1/4 W 15.50 N 5 E 1/4 15.36 to the place of beginning.

OUR
ANCESTORUrbain
Baudreau
Graveline*written by
E. Robert
Graveline***Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline**

born: 1631

son of: Jean Baudreau dit Graveline

& Marie Chaveau, Clermont, France

married: Oct. 20, 1664, Montréal

to: Mathurine Juillet, daughter of

Blaise Juillet & Antoinette de Liercourt

Children:

1. Gabriel, born July 24, 1666, Montréal
2. Marie or Marie Ursule, born December 8, 1668, Montréal
3. Jean-Baptiste, born May 18, 1671, Montréal
4. Elizabeth, born May 3, 1673, Montréal
5. Marie-Anne, born August 29, 1675, Montréal
6. Paul, born May 19, 1682, Montréal
7. Marie-Madeleine, born June 19, 1686, Montréal
8. Jean, born June 13, 1690, Montréal

Photo by Eloise Genest: the main street in the tiny village of Clermont, near the larger village of La Fleche (in the Loire River area of France). It is believed that Urbain lived here before coming to Canada.

Many genealogists place his birth at Gravelines, a small city located between Dunquerque and the English Channel. However, more reliable is his birth in the small town of Clermont, about 100 miles southwest of Paris, near the city of Lemans, a city famous for its birth was 1631, so that when he came to North America, no Canada or U.S.A.

at this time, he was only a young man.

The reasons why he came to North America were surprise was organized for several years. In this endeavor, it was done in the name of Catholicism. It was also called the Company of the colonials called Ville-Marie, but the enterprise was conceived is a very interesting story in itself.

In 1633, a Jesuit priest named Urbain lived at the time, though very desirable in terms of civilization, but he became one of the founders of the colony.

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It was near that city in 1639 that the accountant Dauversiere met for the first time a certain priest named James (Jacques Oliver) Oliver. Without any previous introduction and before the exchange of a single word, each knew the thoughts of the other: they talked of Montréal and the proposed venture. In effect, these three men are considered the founders of Montréal:

- Dauversiere, who had tremendous perseverance;

- De Fancamp had wealth;

- Father Oliver, who always dreamed of founding a community of

priests to spread the Good News of Christianity in North America.

With the zeal and zest of these three men, it wasn't long before the necessary funds were obtained; thus was founded the Company of Montréal. The funds necessary to finance the project were found, mostly from the wealthy friends of Baron De Fancamp.

In June of 1653, the ship carrying the new governor of the colony, Governor Maisonneuve, and recruits including Urbain Graveline, sailed from LaRochelle, but promptly encountered bad weather. There had been little change in seagoing vessels during the hundred years that had passed since Jacques Cartier's voyages to Canada a hundred years earlier. To give you an idea, these vessels were in the same style and size as the better known English vessel - The Mayflower, approximately 120x30 feet.

These ships were small and decidedly uncomfortable; with sails as the only means of propulsion, they were at the mercy of the elements. In fine weather and favoring winds, the crossing might be accomplished in three weeks; Urbain's ship took nearly three months due to storms and unfavorable winds. It is recorded that young Urbain helped to care for and then prepare the bodies for burial at sea.

Food aboard was meager and in poor quality, and fresh water to drink almost unknown. Sea sickness was the common lot. Plagues and other contagious diseases infested these ships, since disinfectants were unknown in those days and many ships retained infections of previous voyages.

The group of recruits boarded boats on the Loire River, which were actually more like large row-boats, with a sail to help in navigation. Downstream they traveled southerly, to the port of LaRochelle. It was here that Urbain and the recruits boarded the unfortunate ship called the *St. Nicolas*.

On the 20th of June, 1653, the overcrowded *St. Nicolas* lifted anchor. It would be a voyage filled with anxieties and a multitude of problems. After several days at sea, the ship began to take water. Foolishly, the captain decided to continue the voyage, relying on the crew and the 120 recruits to sop the vessel dry. Nevertheless, the ship designed for a maximum of only 70 passengers, continued to leak.

Then the cargo and provisions became damaged with water and moisture. Finally prudence prevailed with the realization that all aboard were going to drown in the ocean. After having travelled 350 leagues (approximately 900 miles) at sea, the decision was made to return to port.

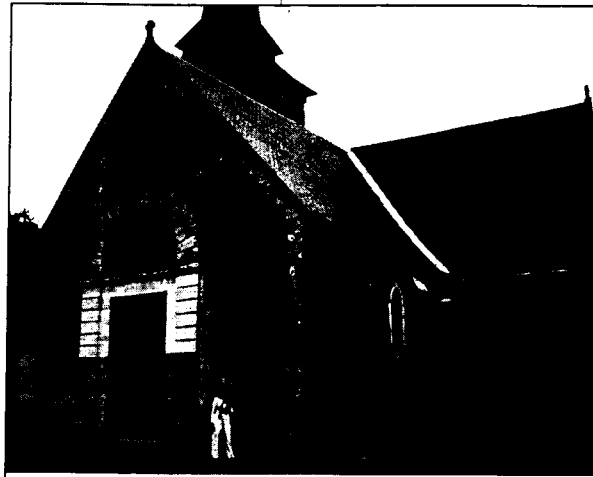
Fortunately, there was a record of the events. It was Sister Marguerite Bourgeoys, who recorded an account of what happened. She wrote: "but by the grace of God, we would certainly have perished. I was so very much in pain with the serious danger we faced. There was also the (spiritual) danger of death without a priest on board to administer the last rites. Our people were improperly prepared (spiritually) to die, as well as ourselves."

"On our return to port, Governor Maisonneuve had all his soldiers camp on an island (in the harbor), to prevent any possible desertions. Even so, some were so frightened by what had happened, that they jumped into the harbor to escape, by swimming ashore."

Sister further wrote that: "thereafter, it took a considerable amount of time to find and prepare another ship. Meanwhile, there was the problem of keeping and providing for the stranded passengers, most of whom were recruits

for the colony." (Urbain among them.) The project of saving Ville Marie, for which these recruits and soldiers were destined, required dedication, resolve and courage. They would suffer intolerable hardships and bloodshed, all "for the greater glory of God."

Finally, one month later on the 20th of July, 1653, they resumed the crossing but with the loss of 49 desertions. The voyage was to experience many difficulties, among which was an infectious disease that broke out



Church in the small village of Clermont, France
Photo: Eloise Genest, Summer, 1996.

among the passengers; eight of them died as a result. The ensuing years found Urbain helping the colony at Montréal to grow with the deforestation of trees, needed to build a fort in order to repulse the frequent attacks by the hostile Iroquois. Due to his bravery, he was chosen to head the militia in defense of the colony against the attacking Iroquois; meanwhile, he was able to raise a family.

Urbain had four sons and four daughters. His sons distinguished themselves as their father did. The oldest son, Gabriel, participated in the establishment of Ft. Detroit and was among the first settlers of that place (to be known later as Detroit).

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Their fine shoes did not allow them to go around in the winter, due to the amount of snow and the cold weather. The only thing they could do was to learn how to walk with the snowshoes as the Indians did, which is not an easy task. They also found comforting the Indian boots made of animal skins with the fur inside; even the soldiers wore these.

The year 1651 was a bloody one in Ville-Marie. The Indian attacks did not cease and no one dared go out, even in day time, without a rifle or a pistol. Maisonneuve, the Governor General, requested that Jeanne Mance leave the hospital and find refuge in the fort. This is the reason why de Maisonneuve went back to France; he wanted to bring back new colonists, as otherwise it would be farewell to the dream of building a colony in Montreal. He succeeded and returned with "1653 Grande Recrue" (the great recruitment) of which Urbain was a member. Without major help from France, there would be no colony! De la Dauversière and de Maisonneuve were requested to recruit about 100 men and engage them for a period of five years. It will take convincing following the engagement period to persuade the Grand Recrue members to permanently stay in Montreal.

In 1654, M. de Maisonneuve, after the recruit

of which Urbain took part, started distributing concessions along the river of about one acre, at least in depth. This row extended progressively downstream, and in 1659, to the St. Lawrence River (currently, Iberville Street). The same row stretched westward, between the St. Peter River and the Mount Royal, but the depth of land was only fifteen acres because of the Mountain on two acres of the St. Lawrence.

Each tenant had to clear a certain number of acres on his land, build a house on it, inhabit it and naturally make a fireplace in it to cook and warm up. This is what is called, in French, "tenir feu et lieu." The majority of the houses were made of round logs, low and without a proper floor, one room, rarely two. The windows were made of oiled paper, which in those days replaced glass; one sink letting the water run out for toilet and kitchen. At the farther end was the parents' bed; in a corner the children's. A chest, a table, some benches, and a few chairs made up the furnishings. In the fireplace, a large cooking pot was suspended on a long chain.

These houses were between 18 feet by 18 feet and 30 feet by 20 feet.. The house dimensions were, of course, decided according to the owner's standing: (the house owned by the

Saint-Père widow, Lemoyne's wife, measured 50 feet by 24). They started with one room, then later another one was added or they tried to obtain another concession and build a larger house, taking into consideration the number of children in the family.

Not long after his arrival, Urbain noted that the cemetery had to be abandoned due to floods and replaced by another one on a piece of land on higher ground, above the Hotel-Dieu, the hospital, (actually on the south part of the Place d'Armes facing the Notre-Dame Church).

The Iroquois never did respect their peace treaty, so the inhabitants had to work the land or work in the woods armed with a musket nearby, and preferably in groups.

Until 1657, the Jesuits officiated at all the parishes; then they were replaced by the Sulpiciens and in 1660, Mr. de Queyluss obtained, for the Société Notre-Dame, the privilege to found a parish in Montreal. Needless to add that much competition took place between the two communities and some inhabitants.

Maisonneuve governed Montreal with an iron hand, and on January the 18th, 1659, he got Bénigne Basset to post on the Chapel door a long proclamation to prohibit drunkenness, gambling, and blasphemy, which would be punished by a fine or corporal chastisement. Alcohol smuggling by boats was to be repressed. Maisonneuve's judgments were tough, but impartial.

Jeanne Mance and Marguerite Bourgeoys also went to France to recruit the necessary help and then came back, aboard the St. André, with the 1659 recruit which was also as important as the one of 1653, on which Urbain also came to Montreal.

With such a small population, we can easily imagine that Urbain knew about everyone or at least heard of what was going on in such a

small colony. If he had not personally known his future father-in-law, Mathurine's father, Blaise Juillet, he was certainly aware of his accidental death in 1660. Dollard des Ormeaux, a young and impetuous youth, had the mission to ward off the Indians, who were preparing to attack Ville-Marie once more. Only bachelors were to form Dollard's small team, but strangely enough Blaise Juillet joined the small group although he was married and had children! (Men with children were not supposed to participate.) When the new Canadians met the Indian scouts, they immediately attacked and Blaise Juillet and Mathurin Soulard, in trying to escape, lost their lives by drowning as they did not possess the art of canoe maneuvering.

The Long Sault battle, at which lives were lost, was a victory because the much-feared assault by the Iroquois never occurred. At his death on June 20th, 1660 an inventory revealed that Blaise Juillet possessed two bulls, one cow, one calf, and three pigs.

Between two eventful massacres, the Montrealers built, prayed, worked, traded and fought. The alcohol traffic was always the subject of controversy. If the Indians could not buy alcohol from the French, they would simply go and trade their furs with the English and the Dutch and consequently the essential trade would place the colony in jeopardy. On one occasion, the priest, Father Lalemant appealed to Governor D'Avaugour in favor of a woman who had been condemned for illegal traffic. D'Avaugour got angry : "If the alcohol traffic is not punishable for this woman, it will never be for anyone." Absolute freedom for all! A very serious clash took place between the religious and civil powers. Monseigneur de Laval, the Archbishop of Quebec, decided to cross the ocean to debate his point and complain to the king, August 12th, 1662.

Regardless of the multiple dangers, the bound-

less forests, the terrific possibilities in fishing and hunting, the prodigious space when it came to the land and the possibility of possessing one's own plot made the new country more than appealing to the young recruits. This country would almost be a paradise, if it had not been for the Iroquois frequent attacks.

To complete the military organization, for which the soldiers were not enough, Maisonneuve created, by January 28th, 1663 an ordinance, a sort of fraternity, called "la Milice de la Sainte Vierge" (The Holy Virgin Militia). Men were invited to form a troop of seven militiamen per squad, one of whom would be elected corporal. Within four days, 139 settlers presented themselves and formed 20 squads and each one selected a head man. Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline was elected chief of the second squad; the militiamen, under his command, were Jean Aubin, Pierre Devanchy, Jean Guerrier, Jacques Hordeuin, Claude Marcaut and Louis Laporte, all of them bachelors.

The year 1663 began with some very strange natural phenomena. On February 5th, an earthquake shook Canada, from Gaspé to the Great Lakes. The shocks were very violent. The trees dashed against each other, which caused the Indians to conclude that the "forest was drunk." Each and everyone sought refuge in the churches. The alcohol trade ceased immediately like magic. The earthquake diminished in intensity, but continued until the first of September. During this time, in France, Monseigneur de Laval won his point of view and Louis XIV prohibited the liquor trade. Laval was the Archbishop for all North America, under his leadership.

Mathurine married Urbain on the 20th of October 1664, in Notre-Dame Church at

Montreal. Let's consider the family. Marriage contracts were important because, besides representing a firm engagement with legal rights, they were a social event. This way, at the signature of the marriage contract, the custom was to invite as many guests as possible.

Unfortunately, the notaries did not always indicate where the signature and ceremony was held. On a total of 73 such contracts only 27 clearly mentioned where it took place. The most common matrimonial regime adopted by the future spouses was a Paris custom, which was simply "common property." All of which constituted an engagement of major importance and was ratified by a contract passed in front of a notary, or in his absence it was done privately, and ratified at a later date. The marriage was then celebrated as soon as possible... The Church had established certain restricted periods where marriages could not be celebrated; from the first Sunday of Advent to Little Christmas, from Ash Wednesday to the first Sunday after Easter. Once the religious marriage date had been set, there remained an important formality: the banns of matrimony must be published on three Sundays or feasts at the sermon.

In a very religious society, a child must be baptized as soon as possible after his/her birth. The St. Vallier's Ritual ordered the parish priest to avoid multiplication of names and permitted only a maximum of two names.

You cannot expect to find an "inventory after death" in all cases. The inventory was obligatory if a bachelor deceased without apparent heir, also if a widow/widower, with living children, wished to remarry, and finally in the case where there must be a sharing amongst heirs.

Once more, Montreal was the Iroquois target. The King and Colbert were impressed by all the reports they received from la Nouvelle-

France, and decided that a series of important measures must be taken immediately. The Sovereign, decided to replace the Governor de Mézy by Daniel Rémy de Courcelle who would be assisted by an Intendant, Jean Talon. Mazarin entrusted him with very large administrative and financial powers and went as far as asking him to establish a rapport between the Church and the civilian powers in Canada. Then the general lieutenant de Tracy arrived on June 30, 1665, the first of all these important dignitaries. A few days later, the first Regiment Carignan-Salières companies landed. In July, the Iroquois struck once more. By mid-August, Salières arrived with four more companies. The last four companies arrived in September.

Tracy sent Salières to construct forts at strategic places. A flotilla of canoes belonging to the Ohawas arrived in Montreal with a fur "cargo", then continued to Three Rivers where a company was posted. The news spread out very fast among the Indians, even the Iroquois. This series of measures contributed to change the face of the colony. Montreal and its 500 inhabitants would greatly benefit from this new situation. This is when the name Ville-Marie became Montreal.

In these difficult years of organization, Montreal ran into important debts. In business, the proportion of sums of money owed is very high. Of 40 persons studied, only 10 paid the complete sum required which ran from 100 to 5,600 livres; 14 persons made a cash deposit upon the transaction; this way Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline, a settler, paid 216 livres on a total of 266 and still owed 50 livres. Loans without interest was the general rule. The debt was due in a short time, generally from 12 to 18 months.

Urbain, like his contemporaries, learned to adapt to his new life. There was the winter,

which Montreal's geography demands, the Spring and its ice-packs, which were a continual threat on the island as well as the water level. Because of its location, many means of transportation were borrowed from the Indians, such as the snowshoes and the canoe. There were attire modifications; for instance the French shoes with high heels destroyed the bark of which canoes were made, so Indian shoes were needed. Like the Indians, the French switched from wool to fur. If we take a look at food, let's say that our ancestors adapted immediately to the corn culture as well as Indian meals. They learned how to make maple syrup, which is as delectable nowadays as it was then. Over all, they learned to make war and to survive the Indian attacks, because the threat was always there.

Montreal has always been a society with a strong religious mentality. Here the religious institutions occupy a more active part than anywhere else in Canada.

In conclusion, in the 1663 census, Urbain was registered as a bachelor of 30 years old, who did not know how to sign except for his name, was a settler and was originally from the province of Maine, in France. He also owned a piece of land which measured 30 acres.

Submitted by Denise Moineau



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reply. As was customary on those occasions, he concluded by expressing his love for his "children" and his concern for their welfare. The chiefs probably took some of these fine sentiments with a grain of salt, for most of them had undoubtedly seen enough governors come and go to know that these fine gentlemen were not in the habit of allowing the welfare of their "children" to stand in the way of France's strategic interests. For all that, the Indians had a certain affection for the French that they never had for the English because the French treated them with more tact and consideration – although our admiration for Gallic *bonhomie* should perhaps be tempered by the knowledge that the French needed Indian cooperation more than the English did. The very existence of the French colony rested not on farming as did the English colonies, but on the fur trade, which depended on Indian goodwill. This talent for getting along with the native people stood Bienville in good stead in Louisiana, when he managed to rally the tribes to the French side, even when it might have been in their own best interest to defect.

It goes without saying that the young man was proud of his French heritage, yet in every bone of his sturdy body he was very different from the native-born Frenchman. These second-generation Canadians, particularly those living in and around Montreal who were in constant association with the native people, were an entirely new breed. Tough, hardy, and self-reliant, they matched their Indian neighbors in courage and resourcefulness. Whereas a native Frenchman might live a lifetime without travelling beyond his own village, a Canadian thought nothing of venturing into the unknown in a flimsy canoe, living off the land on the way. What impressed newly arrived Frenchmen none too favorable was the Canadians' free and easy ways and their lack of respect for authority. This is not to say that there was no class system in the colony.

Members of seigneurial families like the Le Moynes enjoyed a certain social prestige as well as giving the colony its best officers.

As soon as it became obvious that these officers were far more effective in wilderness warfare than the French, the government encouraged young men of good family to enter the army. This they gladly did, for an officer was admired and respected. The procedure went something like this: a father or older brother took a youth in his mid-teens, or even younger, on a campaign as an aide or cadet. When the boy had gained enough experience on the job, the governor might put him in charge of a small war part of his own. Then if he wished to remain in the regular army he might become a lieutenant, or a captain, or a commander of a military post. The Le Moyne brothers followed this pattern. While he was still a child, Bienville saw one brother after another don his uniform and follow Longueuil, or Sérigny, or Iberville to war. In a few short years, death was horribly familiar to him. His brother Saint-Hélène, the best marksman in the colony, was mortally wounded in 1690 defending Quebec against an English colonial army headed by Sir William Phipps. The following year, the whole colony mourned the death of the first Bienville, killed while pursuing an Iroquois war party which had been ravaging the region around Montreal. Two years later, 18 year old Chateauguay, who was said to be "able to manage a ship by himself" was killed while taking part in Iberville's expedition against the English at Hudson Bay.

Bienville became a navy cadet at the age of twelve, and he saw his first combat as Iberville's aide in a campaign to expel English fishermen from their villages on the eastern coast of Newfoundland. It was a grueling initiation for the sixteen-year-old youth. Leaving Placentia, the French settlement on the western shore of the island on November 1, 1696, Iberville and his party of about 100 men set out

due east for Ferryland, sometimes trudging through woods and marshes, sometimes wading up to their waists through ice-cold rivers and streams. By the time they reached Ferryland, their provisions had run out, but they were lucky enough to find a dozen horses which they killed and ate. As they marched northward, conditions grew worse. Their baggage strapped to their backs, they plodded through deep snow until they were forced to stop and make snowshoes. More than once, a man missed his step and was almost buried in the snow; at other times sharp ice cut through the snowshoes. Nevertheless, the campaign was successful – if one may call the destruction and looting of fishing villages a success – as, one by one, all the settlements except Carbonnear and Bonavists fell to the French. As far as is known, it was on this campaign that Bienville played his first, albeit small, leadership role. He and two other officers led a small contingent across Trinity Bay to Random Sound, captured the settlements, and took forty prisoners.

Before Iberville could consolidate his conquest, he was ordered to set out for Hudson Bay with a fleet of five ships to recapture Port Nelson from the English. Toughened from his Newfoundland experience, Bienville accompanied his brother in the lead ship, the Pelican. An older brother, Sérigny, captained the *Profond*. The ships weighed anchor early in July. Sixteen days later they were dodging the ice-filled waters of Hudson Strait. As they edged their path through the ice floes, northern gales knifing through the air, the vessels were separated by dense fog, the Pelican in the lead. On September 5, the Pelican arrived in front of Port Nelson. A day went by without a sign of the other ships. At dawn the following day, three ships hove into view, but on closer inspection the vessels turned out to be English, not French. Caught between the fort and the three vessels, Iberville had to fight or surrender. He decided to do battle. Batteries were manned and the men took

their station, Bienville and another officer commanding the exposed upper deck. After a series of brilliant maneuvers that culminated in the sinking of one English ship and the capture of another, the English were routed from Port Nelson. In the engagement, Bienville received a wound which would plague him off and on for the rest of his life.

Leaving Sérigny in charge of Port Nelson, Iberville sailed to France, taking Bienville with him. This would be the last time either one of the brothers would see Canada again. To prevent a pre-emptive strike by the English, King Louis XIV had decided to establish a post on the banks of the Mississippi River, on the land claimed for France by explorer René-Robert Cavelier de La Salle in 1682. In fact, the English promoter Daniel Coxe was already preparing for just such an expedition. Spain was also making plans to thwart France by getting to the mouth of the Mississippi first. It was time for the French to get on the move, and Iberville was the ideal man to lead the venture. In true Le Moyne tradition, Iberville chose a brother to accompany him. At the age of eighteen, Bienville had met his destiny.



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'Founders of Old Mobile Society' organized

*Submitted by Jay Higginbotham
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After months and years of discussion and planning, the *Founders of Old Mobile Society* was formed in November 1999 in Mobile, Alabama.

The purpose of the society is to promote interest in historical and genealogical research and to help connect long-lost family members and friends.

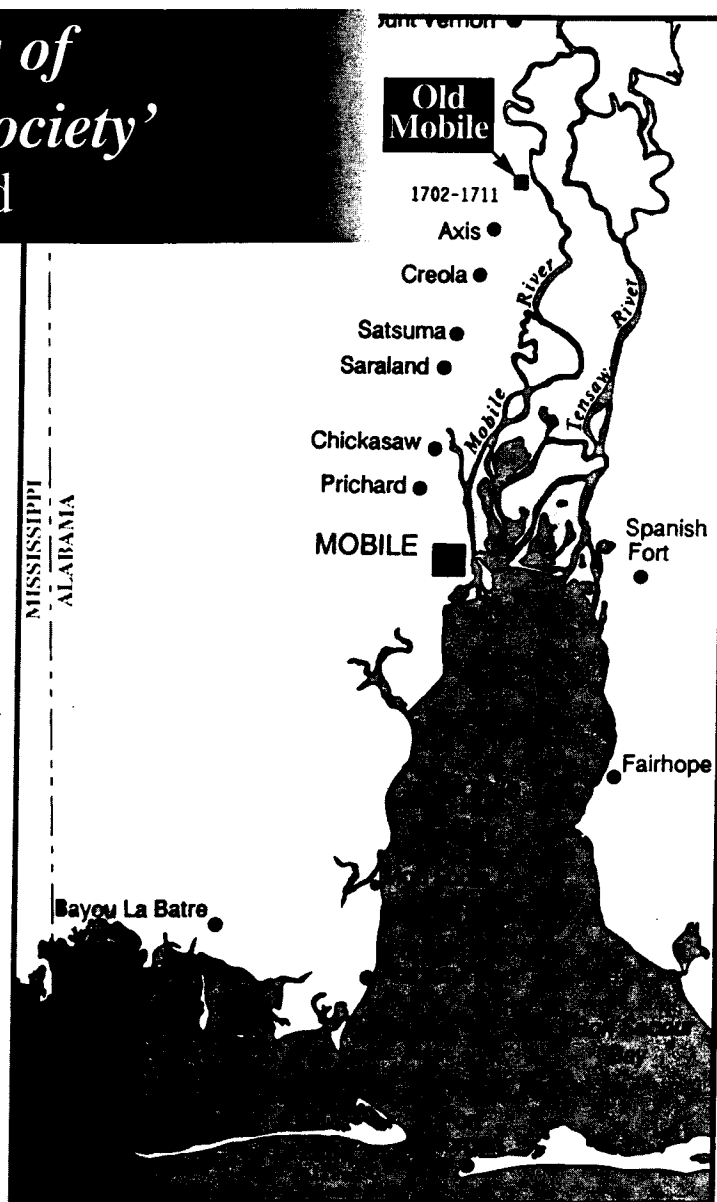
Numerous family reunions will be organized for the year 2002, in connection with Mobile's celebration of the Tricentennial of its founding in 1702 as the first capital of French Louisiana.

Prominent names of the founders with living descendants include the family names of Saucier, Graveline, Baudin, Alexandre, Minette, Rochon, Rivard, La Pointe, Chauvin and others. It also is likely that anyone with the names Ladnier, Bosarge and Ryan are connected to the founders.

Initial officers selected are Elizabeth Mayrose, President; Jeanne-Félicie Mercier, Vice-President, Villie Frugé Moore, Secretary; Carole Quail, treasurer, and Gloria Wier, Historian. The first general meeting of the Society will be at the Moorier Branch Public Library in Mobile on January 18, 2000 at 7:30 p.m.

Any proven descendant of any founder of Old Mobile who actually lived at the 27-mile Bluff capital town is eligible for membership in the Society. Dues are \$10.00 and members will receive certificates of admission, as well as newsletters and listing on the master roll of membership.

For more information, write to: Elizabeth Mayrose, President;
11 S. Monterey St., Mobile, AL 36604.



Another, Jean-Baptiste, arrived at Mobile, Alabama in 1699 and settled there until his death. Many of his descendants are now living in the area between Mobile and Biloxi, Mississippi, where they were recently honored by Senator Trent Lott, the Majority leader of the Senate and himself a resident of Biloxi.

Another, Joseph Graveline, from St. Louis, Missouri was a member of the Lewis & Clark Expedition in 1804 and in 1805, escorted Chief Ankedoucharo, an Arikara Indian from North Dakota, to Washington, D.C. where they met with President Thomas Jefferson.

Today we find Urbain's descendants all over the English-speaking world, even as far away as New Zealand and Australia; with them and many others, we correspond regularly.



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From the Research Director

Submitted by Tom Boudreau, Readsboro, VT

Now that the book is back from the printer, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed in any way to its completion. Many, many people have helped to put these family groups together. This book will save future researchers hundreds of hours of research time and thousands of dollars in completing their family trees. And it will become, we hope, a family heirloom to be shared with children and grandchildren.

One question that has already come up is, "why isn't so-and-so's death (or birth or marriage) date in the book?" Well, there is no easy answer to that question but several possibilities exist. One is that we just don't have it. As I've said many times, this is not a complete record, it is an on-going process. The plan is to continue the research and update the book at some time in the future. Another possibility is that in the final editing it was overlooked. Normand and I tried to combine our individual researches of over 8000 names and countless vital records, while trying to overcome the barriers of two countries, two languages and two different computer systems. So, it is entirely possible that we missed something. A third possibility is that the information you sent arrived too late to be included. We had to stop adding new information at some point in order to prepare the index and to get the book formatted for the printer.

On another matter, I've been asked on several occasions to comment on **Mathurine Juillet's** age at the time of her marriage to Urbain. Many people believe that it is a misprint or some kind of error that she was only 13 years old. No, it is not an error. Mathurine was born in Montreal on December 31, 1651 which made her almost 14 years old at the time of her marriage in October of 1664. This was quite common during this period.

Marriages, at this time, were regulated by the state and the church. The custom and law of that time called for the groom to be at least fourteen years of age to enter into a contract for marriage. The girl needed to be at least twelve. In both cases they needed to have the permission of their parents to marry; the boy until he was thirty (!) and the girls (even a widow) until the age of twenty-five.

FROM THE MAILBAG: I received an e-mail from **Joe Dupuis** of Albuquerque, New Mexico. He was interested in learning more about his family. He happens to be a descendant of **Cyrille Beaudreau** of Spencer, Massachusetts, who was my great-great-grandfather's brother. Quite another coincidence. We're going to be working together to "dig out" the rest of the related families.

Debbie Leser is a descendant of **Samuel Graveline** of Burlington, Vermont. Her ancestors settled in Milford, Connecticut, Gardner, Massachusetts and Providence, Rhode Island. She is trying to complete her ancestry as well.



URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT GRAVELINE A Nation's Builder

Translated by Denise Moineau

Go back to the 17th Century
with the "grande recrue's"
crossing to the New World. When
about one-third of the voyage was done,
only the ocean had been crossed and
there remained "la Grande Rivière" as
was then called the St. Lawrence River.

Once they arrived in Newfoundland, they
surely took advantage of the numerous fish for
which this region was well-known and famous.

Afterwards the vessel entered the St. Lawrence and what can be
seen? Water, more water and only water until Cap Tourmente and its
surroundings where, on both sides, the north and south shores can be
seen. Only trees and forests were visible with few clearings upon arrival
at Quebec city.

In the summer, insects such as mosquitoes, black flies etc. simply
assailed the inhabitants because of the numerous trees and water. The
new Canadians would have to adapt to many other problems.

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7	Lucketia							Hubert Krebs			
8	Elmy Hermenia							unmarried			
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E.D. Martin vs. Heirs of Krebs

see case for spouses + names of children

5 Six children of Catherine:
J.D., J.J., Willie, Eugenia, Percy, Julia (m. Reese)

6. Children of Isabelle
Albert, Willie, Hubert, Ikey, Ida (m. Ellis) Clara (m. Thomas Schorr)

Mary, (m. Fallow)

7 Children of Lucretia - Mrs. A.J. Larsen, Mrs John O. Grant,
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	Maria	B F 56	Wife	/			Keep
	Ophelia	B F 17	Daughter	/			At
✓ 20	Charles Wm	B M 24		/			La
	Catharina	B F 18	Wife	/			Keep
	Henry	B M 5	Son	/			
	Blue Nancy	Mm F 20	Sister	/			
	Leah T	Mm F F	Daughter	/			
✓ 21	Dennis Richard	Mm M 25		/			La
	Susan	F F	Wife	/			

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MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, JACKSON COUNTY.

To any Judge, Minister, Justice or other Officer Lawfully Authorized to Celebrate the Rites of Matrimony:

You are hereby Authorized to celebrate the RITES OF MATRIMONY between
W. F. Smith AND *M. J. Conner*
And you are hereby required to transmit to the undersign, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, or his successor in office, a CERTIFICATE OF THE MARRIAGE of said parties within six months after the celebration of the same, under the penalty in such cases provided.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this

16th day of August A. D. 1890.

W. F. Smith
Clerk Circuit Court.

By Virtue of a License from the Clerk of the Circuit Court, I have this day joined in the

MARRIAGE OF

W. F. Smith

AND

M. J. Conner

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL, this

16th day of

August A. D. 1890

W. F. Smith

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BAPTISTE, JENNIE

*TEACHER, Piney Dell School, also
called Basin Free Public School
Taught Jun 6 to Sept 16*

Sum 1887

TEACHER, Cross Roads School

1887-88

TEACHER, Rogers School

Sum 1888

TEACHER, Rogers School

1889-90

BATEASE, JOHN P.

1825 Jackson Co MS Census, Free whites

John P. Batease/Baptiste?, head of family

4 white males, 5 white females

1 taxable person.

BATEASE, SAGO/PAGO

1825 Jackson Co MS Census, Free whites

Sago/Pago Batease/Baptiste, head of family

3 white males, 1 white female

1 taxable person, 1 birth in 1825

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1 Carbo, Andrew W M 28

— Harriet E W F 20 Wife

— Mary E W F 5 Daughter

— Joseph W M 3 Son

1 Fairley, John W M 56

— Ann W F 35 Wife

— Watson W M 11 Son

— Mary W F 9 Daughter

— Eda W F 8 "

— John M W M 7 Son

— Richard W M 5 "

— Susan R W F 2 Daughter

— Chester E W M 3/4 Son

✓ Baptiste, Ann E W F 59 Boarder

Mark Elizabeth W F 15 Boarder

1 Fairley, Oscar C W M 23

Moody Sarah B F 35

— Abram B M 9 Son

1 Fairley, Emma B F 25

— servant

1 Fairley Thomas B M 56

— Charlotte B F 35 Wife

— Wash B M 16 Son

— Ann B F 14 Daughter

— Lizzie B M 7 Son

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was calm and dolphins played in the wake of the boat.

I envy the folks that had an opportunity to grow up here. This is the least changed system of the barrier islands in the United States," Hollomon said.

He settled into a schedule of 10 days on the island and four days at the mainland. He said he viewed the small building on Horn Island as his home. The mainland was a place where he picked up his mail and groceries and took care of business.

As a park ranger, Hollomon had to patrol the islands to make sure the visitors respected the delicate ecosystem. He said he will miss the many friends he

He disliked the trash on the islands which did not always come from sloppy visitors. Much of it is washed from the nearby rivers or thrown by careless boaters in the Gulf.

"I'd never see those people. Those that throw trash in the river never know it washes up on the islands," Hollomon said.

Being a ranger on Horn Island had its hectic moments as well as quiet ones, Hollomon said.

The last Fourth of July, he had to oversee 1,400 visitors.

For Hurricane Elena, Hollomon had to do what many residents did. He had to evacuate the island twice. After returning from the first evacuation, he said he

percent black genes.

In Louisiana, the law that enshrined Sussie Gullory Phipps in her quest to gain white legal status stated that a person is legally black if he has one 32nd black blood or about 1 percent black blood.

Investigating the Creole question for her doctoral dissertation at Yale University and for a recently published book — "White By Definition: Social Classification in Creole Louisiana" — she did find many things that black and white Creoles had in common.

"I never met a poor Creole," Dominguez said. "They are at least middle class in terms of profession, education, money. These are not poor, uneducated, downtrodden masses.

"They have a similar sense of history and a sense of belonging to this place. They have a similar tendency to view themselves as having high

status.

She said race is an arbitrary category, anyway. Modern genetic studies show that blacks in the United States average 25 percent white genes, she said, and that whites average 5

status.

There's a lot of public culture that they share. Public manners. A way of relating to people that stresses politeness and probably tries to minimize confrontation or conflict. And obviously a history of Catholicism.

"They are people who are warm and proper at the same

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Argument continues over who is Creole

NEW ORLEANS, AP — The argument over who should be considered Creole is an argument that goes back to Reconstruction in New Orleans.

Anthropologist Virginia Dominguez, who has studied the Creole for a decade, said she found two answers.

White Creoles say that a Creole is a person whose families moved from the colonial period. Some people add Spanish.

Black Creoles will tell you that a Creole is a descendant of the old French or Spanish families, she said.

Creole definitions reflect a political struggle and is seen as implying high status and both communities want to claim status.

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left. By then, his backup from the mainland was there.

Hollomon later learned three brothers in the city, their 20's, had come to the island to hunt illegally. When they were caught, they had to pay a park ranger, they had.

Hollomon said he found out the identity of the men when their mother called the park on Sunday, expressing her concern for her sons. The men did make it back to the mainland before the hurricane, but just barely.

Hollomon said

The hurricane did little damage to the island's small house, but it did destroy the pier.

For six months afterwards, Hollomon said he had to swim or use a small raft to get from his

West Florida Id.

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This Indenture made on the twenty
ninth day of November in the ninth year of the reign
of our sovereign Lord George the third in the year of the
of Great Britain France & Ireland King Defender of
Faith &c &c, Between Mamon of a free Negro son
of the son of Mobin of the one part & Francis Guard
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said Mamon for and in consideration of the sum of
fifty Mounds called D. Dues to her in hand paid by
the said Francis Guard, the receipt whereof the said
Mamon hath acknowledged, she the said Mamon hath
granted bargained & sold with & confirmed unto the said
Francis Guard his heirs and assigns for ever a certain
tract of planting land situate and lying in a part of
the River called Bayou Rochon beginning at the town
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extending to the third point of land from the period
boundary, and also all lands, trees, woods, underwoods,
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advantages, Hereditaments, ways, waters, and appurtenances
whatsomever to the said land and Premises above mentioned
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& underwoods, remainder & remainder, Parts & pieces of the
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WILL-JOHN BAPTIST BOUDREAUX of GRAVELINE

Submitted by- Mary L. Adkinson

This will is one of the latest "finds" in the continuous search for additional information on our ancestors. It was recently found in the National Archives, Washington, D.C. by Darrell Helton who is a Graveline descendant through Louise Catherine Baudrau Bouzage (Bosarge). The will is such an exciting document that it needed to be shared by the thousands of Graveline descendants.

Graveline would have been about 79 at the time this document was written; he was baptized in May 1671. He was one of eight children born to Mathurine Marguerite Juillet and Urbain Boudreau dit Graveline.

In a forthcoming issue of this publication there will be an article on the Baudrau's (Braudreau).

This will is copied exactly like the handwritten translation and can be found at the National Archives under Reference Division "D", Miss. Item 126-Volume 203-pages 473-474.

The Sixteenth day of September one thousand Seven hundred & fifty Before the Royal notary of the Province of Louisiana dwelling in New Orleans and in presence of the undersigned witnesses personally appeared John Baptist Baudreaux of Graveline generally residing at a place called "la Bellefontaine" at old Beloxy, who has declared & Said that he is come here expressly to arrange & finally adjust his affairs temporal as well spiritual-having appear'd to us this day in good health & enjoying sound mind & memory being nine O'Clock in the morning & he was of a very advanced age, that fearing to be overtaken by death in remote from all assistance he wou'd wish to put in order a sufficient portion of his wor'dly affairs whilst he is of sound mind, he has said & declared to us that he is born in Montreal in Canada & that he is in this Colony since the year one thousand Seven hundred, that he came to this Colony with Mr. Biberville & that he believes that out of a hundred who came with him he is the only living person: that having had carnal communication with a Squaw of the Indian Nation(a daughter of a great Chief) he had a Son who is about thirty of age at this present time which compelled him under this 'consideration to marry the Said Squaw(or Indian Woman) in presence of our Mother the Roman Catholic & Apostolic holy Church as acting the part of a true Christian with the intention of doing a good part to his Son. . . . named John Baudreaux, but that the severe language & bad conduct which his Son has this day shewn to him, he is under the necessity of disinheriting him, having even attempted his life many times by putting his fist upon his throat, threatening to kill him, & other menaces calling him an old Buggar & only seeking daily his destruction & all his aim tending to his total ruin as he has done to the present time, having render'd him considerable injury, being vex'd to see him yet on this earth to be able to enjoy & consume the little property which remains out of the unfortunate wreck which he has prevented him consuming, that as he has a Godson named John Baptist Brasillier Son of Bayou of St. John to him

he has infinite obligations, assisting him in all his necessities, & aiding him in everything, without whom he wou'd undergo a miserable death, having no other means than to stay with him as his unfortunate Son never comes to his house but to pillage him & threaten his life which compels him this day (not wishing to place his unfortunate Son in the hands of Justice as he cou'd do) to abjure him as his Son-he wishes & desires that the said Brazillier Junior, his God-Son be & remain his general Legatee & enjoy generally all his property that he may have eitherin this Colony or elsewhere without (for sufficient reasons) the said John Beaudreaux interfering in any manner whatever, looking upon him as a miserable wretch who does not deserve all the property that he has made for him since he came into the world no more than his wife who has ill treated him & does daily misuse when she has an opportunity of doing it - both of them are unnatural & without any Sentiment of Christianity-breaking & annulling by the present all other wills or Codicils that he may have before made, wishing & desiring that the present only remain in force notwithstanding the want of formality which might bee requir'd in regard to the disinheritance of the said John Beaudreaux wishing for this reason that the present be in the place of a declaration in justice. . . to the repugnance he feels in letting his said Son perish though unworthy of being such, leaving moreover to God the Father Almighty to punish him according to his merits of Divine Providence does not. . . . his conscience beseeching the Lord to be pleased to convert him without which he will despair of his coming to a good end, - That as he has before made some Gifts in writing, he declares them null, & void, that it was piece of weakness on his part to sign deeds of gift, & he desires that the present instrument only remain to be executed according to its form & tenor, not regarding from henceforth the said John Baudreaux no more than his Wife & their Children but as a degenerate race, having never merited any of the attentions which he paid to him, whose names up to the present day only tended to his total ruin by the frequent pillage they made of him, & with which they never profited, occasioned by their great dissipation & especially Beaudreaux's who is confirmed in every vice & all Sorts of Debauchery as he is well known unfortunately for him by the whole Colony, begging besides of his General Legatee-in whose favor he bequeaths his property at his decease, & to pray to God for the repose of his Soul, which he leaves to his prudence & generosity whist he knows his goodness which is all he has said & repeated after several amendments without wishing to increase or diminish anything, it being his last Will & Testament which has been read to him in presence of Augustin Chantation Clerk of Lenormant, huissier audianier witnesses here dwelling & which he has read them having well understood it & that it is his last will without making any alteration in it & has sign'd it as well as Beaudreaux-

Chantaton, Lenormant & the undersigned notary-

Renner notary

End of will

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Little Girl From La Rochelle - by Mary Akinson. This article features Marie Catherine Vinconneau, the wife of Jean Baptiste Baudreau II. Her journey to the Louisiana colony is documented as well as her parents. Her mother's second marriage was to Joseph Simon dit LaPointe.

Estate papers for Marie Catherine Boderio, the Widow Baudreau can be found at the Mobile County Courthouse in the old series, Spanish Records, Document 12. In French and Spanish, 12 pp. List slaves freed at her death, with country or origin listed.

The Descendants - The Journal of the Urbain Baudreau Graveline Genealogical Association, dedicated to the history and genealogy of the forebears of the Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline of the Pascagoula River. Covers all ancestor research back to late 1500's in Canada and France. Back issues available from UBGGA, Post Office Box 905, Palmer, MA 01069. Two issues per year.

Jean Baptiste and Henriette - A Creole Tragedy by Randall Ladnier. Actual documents joined by some speculation to give the story a probable but fictional format. The documents are from authentic French and Catholic records. Jean Baptiste is son of Graveline and Henriette is a Huet from the Mobile coast.

Superior Court, 3rd District of Perry County, File Drawer 15:

E. Lewis & Wife Margaret vs John Baudreau. 42 pp. Miss. Dept. of Archives and History. (Also Jackson County Archives, Pascagoula) Concerns alleged squandering of assets of Jean B. Baudreau III by his son, the defendant. Enlightening for later Baudreau families.

The Journal - Tricentennial Edition, December 1999 - The Journal of the Jackson County Genealogical Society. A must for any descendant of all early French and some English families. This special issue is \$20.00. Yearly dues are \$30.00

The French Colonial Period 1699-1763: The History, Land and People. Special Edition, Volume 35, 1999 by the Mississippi Coast Historical & Genealogical Society, Post Office Box 513, Biloxi, MS 39533. 103 pp, includes submitted articles from various French families, including New France Baudreau ancestors, Widow Baudreau's estate, Jean B. Baudreau III's family story, Graveline's will, and other early history and genealogy. Another volume concerning the English Period will follow.

Else - Include the **Nicaise book by Placide Nicaise** and **all of Brother Jerome's books**; also I don't have the reference for Little Girl from La Rochelle by Mary Adkinson, but it is in one of the MS Coast journals. Actually we also should include both French journals, Sauvolle and Ibervilles in print & any other basic well documented books.

You and John and your families have a Blessed Thanksgiving! Love you, Betty

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**Bibliography and location of articles in print concerning the descendants of
Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline**

Families include Baudreau, Seymour, Bang, Ladner, Bosarge, and many other coast families
of the present-day Jackson, Harrison and some Hancock county families

The following books/source articles are all well documented for the early French families, with
footnotes and sources.

BOUZAGE BOSARGE - The Bosarge family connection that holds the early documentation of
both Bouzage and Baudreau families back to France. As far as I know, no new research has been
done and is in print on these two families. Author is Mary Adkinson of Biloxi and is available
for purchase from the Biloxi Library. Not indexed

LADNER ODYSSEY - Over 700 pages, this book chronicles all Ladners, Bouzages, Seymours,
and other connected families from the LADNER immigrant and involves all the other families
mentioned above. Not indexed. Author is Nap Cassibry of Bay St. Louis and is available for
purchase from the Biloxi Library.

OLD MOBILE - by Jay Higginbotham. This book sets the stage for all these connected families
through ancestry of Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline. Also includes other families from
Mobile that has Jackson County descendants such as Rochon, from whom the Wells and
Demouy families descend, and Joseph Simon dit LaPointe from whom the Krebses, Delmases
and their related families descend.

Individual monographs submitted to local journals:

Mississippi Coast Historical & Genealogical Society, Biloxi, MS:

These articles are constructed from actual French documents and Catholic records.

See: MCHGS Volume 17, Number 2, June, 1981:

The Indian Connection Among Gulf Coast Families, by Brother Jerome Lepre, S.C.

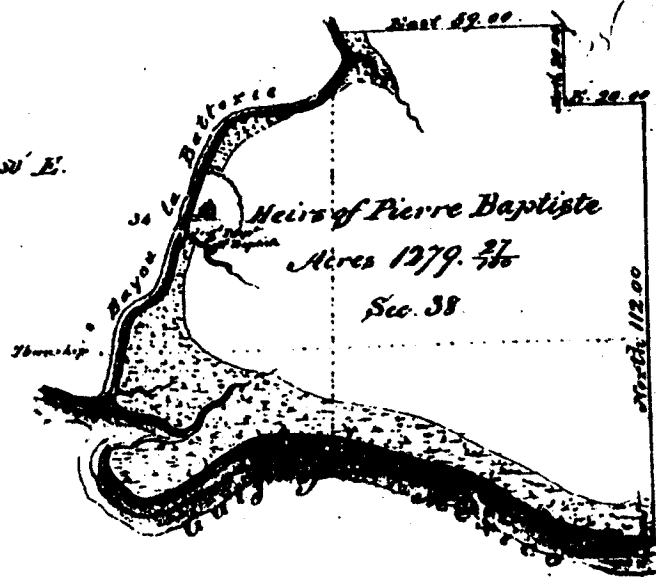
This article covers Noatimah and the Ladner & Moran connections. 12 pp.

Who Was Living on the Gulf Coast Two Hundred Years Ago? By Gloria Moran.

This article covers the Moran and other related families mentioned in all the references
above. 6 pp.

A Lady Undaunted - Marie Martha Paquet, by Brother Jerome Lepre. Descendants of
Jean B. Baudreau dit Graveline through his daughter Magdelaine. These families include
Bang, Lewis, Gargaret, and others. 13 pp.

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Sections 35 & 36 Township 7 Range 3 West and running thence with the
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S 87 E 2.50 S 55 E 1.50 S 61 E 3.50 S 87 E 9.00 S 74 E 9.00 to the
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Mexico S 28 E 13.22 S 89 E 3.23 S 84 E 5.50 S 57 E 22.70 S 76 E
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MARRIAGE CONTRACTS

May 7, 1735

CHARLES MARIE de LALANDE, Guard of the Royal storehouse at New Orleans
son of LOUIS PASCAL de LALANDE, who when living was Counsellor of
and of Dame MARIE CHARLOTTE DESPRE (?) his father and mother

with

Demoiselle CHARLOTTE DUVAL, minor daughter of Sieur FRANCOIS DUVAL,
deceased, and who when living was also a Guard, and of Dame CHARLOTTE
BASSNAC (?) now wife of Sieur DEMOUY.

Stipulating for and giving consent for Sieur de LALANDE, Mr. de
BIENVILLE, Governor of this Province of Louisiana and his wife, De
BEAULIEU, BIZOTON and LeBRETON.

And for the Demoiselle DUVAL, Sieur DEMOUY her step-father and his
wife Dame CHARLOTTE DUVAL, LaSOCIER, HAZEUR, de LORMAISON, PELLERIN
and his wife.

Signing - BIENVILLE, deLALANDE, BOISCLAIRE, SALMON, Le Chevalier De
NOYAN, CHARLOTTE DUVALLE, D'HAUTRIVE, De BEAUBOIS, SALMON LeBRETON,
HAZEUR, LAFRENIERE, GAUTREAU, MOYAUX de LORMAISON, GARDERE, PELLERIN,
COUTURIER, BIZOTON, MARIOL, JAHAN, CAUE, RUELLAN PELLERIN, d'HAUTRIVE.

NOIS COUSIN, a carpenter residing in this City of New Orleans of the deceased ANTOINE COUSIN and of the deceased YET (?) native of Bourbourg, Isle of Flandre

COISE RENARD minor daughter of the deceased JEAN REYNAUD deceased HELENE DORAGIE (?) her father and mother, a New Orleans Bishopric of Quebec, and stipulating for her and her friend.

is have given their consent in the presence of witnesses promise this marriage will be solemnized in the Holy Roman Catholic Church.

or the named COUSIN - Sieur JAQUES PERIER, a carpenter and PERIER, his friends and friends of his deceased parents.

ARIE FRANCOISE REYNAUD - JEAN CONEARD her friend, and SIMON also her friend and friend of her deceased parents.

PIERRE COUSIN, DEHALLIERE, MARIE FRANCOISE REYNARD, JEAN PERIERE, (illegible signature), HENRY, Notary.

April 30, 1740

Sieur ANTOINE CHAUVIN DELERY DESISLET, a resident of this City son of the deceased Sieur JOSEPH CHAUVIN DELERY and of the deceased HYPOLITE MERCIER his father and mother, a native of Mobile, in this Province of Louisiana, Bishopric of Quebec

with

Demoiselle CHARLOTTE FAUCON DUMANOIR minor daughter of JEAN BAPTISTE FAUCON DUMANOIR an agent of the Company of the Indies of this Colony and of the deceased Dame CHARLOTTE LA JALOUX her father and mother a native of St. Malo Archbishopric, and with her father stipulating for her.

The contracting have given their mutual consent in the presence of witnesses and provisions made for any future children born of this marriage.

Signing for the named DESISLET - NICOLAS CHAUVIN de la FRENIERE, of the Superior Council of this Province, his uncle, Mr. BIENVILLE, Gouverneur of this Province of Louisiana, and Madame his wife, Sieur HENRY de LOUBOEY Chevalier of the Royal and Military Order of St. Louis, NICOLAS CHAUVIN DESISLET de BOISCLAIR his brother, Mr. Le BRETON and Madame his wife, Sieur VOLANT Commandant of the Swiss Troops of the Regiment of KARRE, and Dame BELAIR her cousin.

And for the Demoiselle CHARLOTTE FAUCON DUMANOIR - Sieur DUMANOIR her father, Mr. DENOYAN, Chevalier of the Royal and Military Order of St. Louis and Major at New Orleans, Demoiselle JEANNE FAUCON DUMANOIR, Mr. Chev. de CHANOY....at Mobile, Madame MARIE FAUCON his wife, JACQUE de LIVAUDAIS, Captain of the Port and Madame his wife, Sieur FRANCOIS SIMAR de BELISLE, Major at New Orleans and Madame his wife, JEAN DUPUY Lieutenant of the Troops and Madame his wife and cousin of the name Demoiselle DUMANOIR, Monsieur Baron de LONGUELL, her friends.

Signing - CHAUVIN DESSISLET, FAUCON, DENOYAN, BIENVILLE, FAUCON DUMANOIR, MERVILETTE, FAUCON DUMANOIR, NOYAN LAFRENIERE, BELISLE, LONGUELL, DE VOLANT, BOISCLAIRE, JALOUX (other names not legible).

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William Fisher	Peter Viverent	630*	----- River	1792-1813
"	Mortimar	1600*	----- River	for 3 or 4 years
"	Francis Mazurier	unk.	Tensa River	1813-1813
Charles Conway	John Teuillet	800@	Bayou Mano	while under England
John P. Baptiste		800*	Tensa River	1810-1813
Pierre Baptiste				
Louise Baptiste				
X Henriette Baptiste	Rochoon	unk.	Fowl River	1780-1799
Louise Baptiste				
Nicolas Baptiste				
Regis Bernody	Joseph S. Munora	600*	Mobile River	1809-1813
Henrie Bedin	Daniel Jusan	1600*	Fish River	1780-1813
Thomas Powell	Louis Boden	240@	Fish River	1783-1813
Benjamin Ward				
Daniel Ward	unknown	400*	Fish River	about 20 years
John Ward				
Helarze Dubroca	unknown	200*	Fowl River	1783-1800
Maxmullian Dubroca	Valentine Dubroca	640*	Mobile River	1789-1813
Amarunthe Lazzese	Valentine Dubroca	640*	Mobile River	1789-1813
heirs-C. Beaudreau	Charles Chappelle	unk.	Pascacoula Bay	1803-1813
heirs-A. Moro	C. Beaudreau	unk.	Pascagoula R.	1744-1764
heirs-B. Furmar	Augustus Moro	12X46	Pascagoula Bay	1783-1814
"	St. Michel	unk.	Tensa River	uninhabited
"	Robert Farmur	---	Mobile Bay	1768 Indian grant
"	A. Rochon			
"	Joseph Barbaur	unk.	Mobile River	uninhabited
"	Sheffield Howard	unk.	Horn Island	"
Reps/o Simon Favre	Simon Andry	unk.	near Mobile	"
heirs-J.B. Beaudreau	A. Duvermar	30X40	Pascagoula Bay	1780-1813
"	Baptiste Roussere	unk.	Bay St. Louis	uninhabited
Miguel Eslava	Joseph Chastang	---	near the Fort	
Widow Lafontaine	Julien Azevedo	7X40	opp't Deer Is.	1805-1813
heirs-E. McCurtin	J. de La Sausage	160*	Fowl River	1804-1814
Allard & mother	Carmount	40000	Bayou Chamant	1809-1814
Anthony Campbell	Bernard Croigal		Pascagoula Bay	uninhabited
heirs-Bohe Deselauseaur	unknown	12X40	Mobile	"
James Nordean	unknown	between	Fowl & Deer River	"
"	"	---	Mobile	"
"	"	---	Mobile	"
James Nuvam	Pollecagie Lorriens	unk.	Mobile Bay	"
Widow Chomiur	unknown	7 leagues	from Mobile	"
heirs-Borsdore	L--ir?	unk.	Choupoulou	"
Francis Alexander	P. Lardass	35X40	Mobile Bay	25 yrs. with house
heirs-Mrs? Baden	Unknown	unk.	10 leagues from Mobile	
-----	"	unk.	Mobile Bay	
-----	"	unk.	Dog River	
----- Gerard	Marron, free negro		Bay Rahan	
W--- Gilliroy	Peter Gillory	1X40	Mobile Bay	1780-1800
heirs-J.B. Beaudreau	unknown	unk.	Pascagoula R.	British era

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John McGrew
James McGrew
James Dandley
Thomas Wheat
Daniel Johnston

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January 1, 1787, AGI, PC, 1 eg, 2361

Fran. CO Carriere	43 y 75	Bernardo
M. Cristian	51 y 45	Joseph
Joseph Morin	41 y 26	Augustin
Louisbourg	51 y 36	Petit Jean
Luis la Lancette	28 y 35	Louis
Juan la Lancette	38 y 34	Honore
Madame Gargaret	56 - --	Auguste
M. S Caloaux	37 y 28	Pedro Zenon
Mathurin Ladner	52 - --	Eugenio
Jacques Ladner	31 y 29	Henrique
Madame Bodro	81 y --	Regis
Joseph Kreps	45 y 24	Isidore
Augustin Moro	39 y 49	Edouard
Fran. CO Kreps	44 y 4-	Basilio
Augustin Kreps	37 y 30	Baptiste
Madame Pedro Kreps	31 - --	Romain
Madame Kreps	51 or 56	Noel
Hugo Kreps	31 y 22	Juan Baptiste
Raphael Kreps	29 y 18	Jacques
Madame LaBatt	27 - --	Celestin
Fran. CO dubuisson	35 y 25	Alexis
Jacques Ryant	23 y 23	Bap ^{te} Jacob
Joseph Moro	43 - --	Magdeleine
Luis Monlouis	62 y 58	Juan Bau ^{ta} Jacob
Luis Bodin	32 y 33	Martha
Bau ^{ta} . Lorendiny	52 y 45	Catherine
Bau ^{ta} . Alexandre	53 - --	Louison
Savary Socier	36 y 24	Ursulle

Fren. ^{CO} Alexandre	88 or 83
Daniel Ward	42
Pedro Bautista	40 y 31
Carlos Mioux	53 - --
Carlos Demouy	47 y 35
Luis de Lusser	63 - --
Luis Duret	48 - --
Ant. ^o Narbonne	51 y 38
Joseph Chastang	51 y 48
Doming. Dolive	48 y 39
Madame Favre	- 5(7) (67)
Juan Chastang	48 - --
Jacques Genier	55 - --
Simon Landry	33 - --
Madame Morcelin	48 - --
Pedro Trouillet	33 y 18
Madame Bloque	42 - --
Juan Joyce	34 - --
Madame Rochon	41 - --
Narciso Eroutin	27 y 20
Valentin du Broca	51 y 48
Jacques de la Saussaye	48 y 36
Madame Maurier	48 - --
Juan Trouillet	34 y 24
Pedro de Juzan	50 - --
Cornelius McCurtin	34 y 26
Ant. ^o Nicolas	29 y 34
Matias le flo	36 y 25
Madame Nannette	66 - --
Madame Bourguegnon	43 - --
Joseph Bouzage	60 y 44

Claire
Rosette
Marie Anne
Genevieve
Julia Parent
Marguerite Tris
Isabelle
Babet
Adelaide
Charlotte
Margueritte
Nannette
Genevieve
Babet
Lucie
Melanie
Marie Anne
Constance
Angelique
Marie Anne
Marie Jeanne

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John Linder (Sr.)	66 y 51
John Linder (Jr.)	31 y 34
George Phillips	31 y 22
Beley Cheney	30 y 22

Pierre Baptiste- The Original Claimant.

By whom claimed later - Only heirs.

Gean P. Baptiste,
Pierre Baptiste,
Louise Baptiste,
Henriette Baptiste
Soulouge Baptiste
Diego Baptiste.

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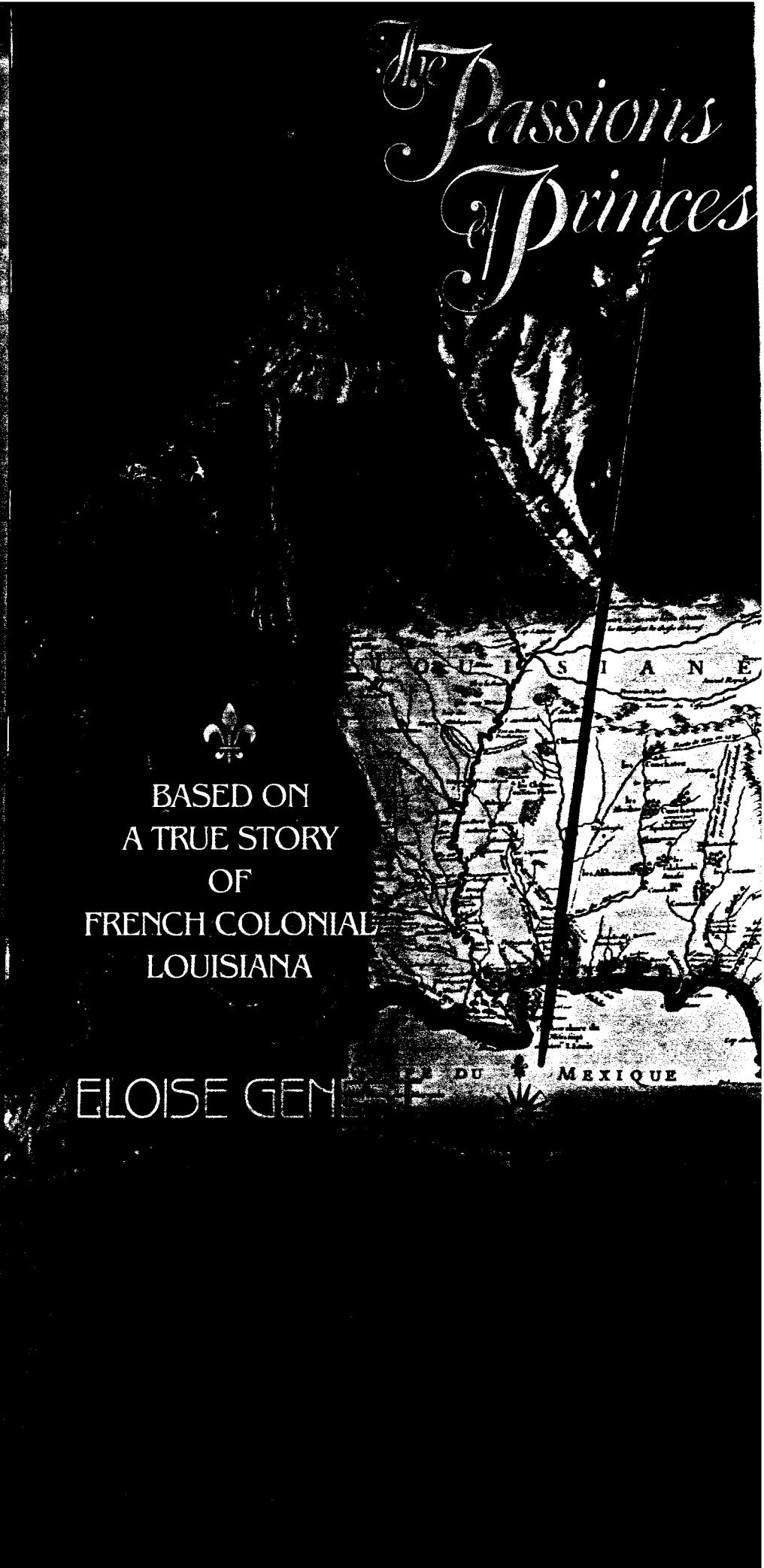
Register of land of Claims to land, the District East of Pearl River in Louisiana, founded on complete grants derived from either the French, British or Spanish Government, which in the option of the undersigned Commissioners valid agreeably to the laws usage of ~~Spanish~~ customs of such Governments.

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a tract of land, lying upon Bayou Rochon, the number
of acres unknown, by virtue of a Bill of Sale from a
negro woman named Hanson, to my Father & by descent
from him.

Francis Ward

West Florida Co.

This Indenture made on the twenty
ninth day of November in the sixth year of the reign
of our sovereign Lord George the third by the grace of God
Great Britain France & Ireland King Defender of
Faith &c &c, Between Hanson of a free negro woman
of the County of Mobile in the said West & Francis Ward
some citizen & merchant of the above waters, that the
said Hanson for and in consideration of the sum of
fifty Spanish Milled Dollars to her in hand paid by
the said Francis Ward the receipt whereof the said Hanson
hereby acknowledges, and that the said Hanson hath
sold bargained & sold given & conveyed unto the said
Francis Ward his heirs and assigns for ever a certain
tract of planting land situate and lying in a part of
the River called Bayou Rochon beginning at the lower
end of the planting piece of Jacob Hanson a
pole marked of white and taking its course seaward
extending to the third point of land from the fore-
mentioned boundary, and also all lands, trees, woods, underwoods,
paths common, common of pasture, profits, commodities,
advantages, Hereditaments, ways, waters, and appurtenances
whatsoever to the said land and Premises above
belonging or in any way appertaining, and also the name
& divisions, residences & improvements, Parts & pieces of the
said Premises, and of every part thereof, and the
estate with all the interest therein &c &c

West Florida St.

This Indenture made on the twenty
 ninth day of November in the ninth year of the reign
 of our Sovereign Lord George the third by the grace of God
 of Great Britain, France & Ireland King, William of
 South & North, between Mamon of a free & lawful person
 of the Colon of Mexico of the one part & Francis Guard
 of the same town & parish of the other witheth, that the
 said Mamon for and in consideration of the sum of
 fifty thousand Pesos to her in hand paid by
 the said Francis Guard, the receipt whereof the said
 Mamon acknowledges in the said Indenture made
 & signed & sold with & confirm with the said
 Francis Guard his heirs and assigns for ever a certain
 tract of planting land situate and being in a part of
 the River called Bayou Rochon beginning at the town
 say town of the planting piece of Sacot Mamon a
 free matter of all bill and taking its course downwards
 extending to the third point of land from the foreaid
 town say, and also all lands, trees, woods, meadows,
 paths common, common of pasture, profits, commodities,
 advantages, Hereditaments, ways, waters, and appurtenances
 whatsoever to the said land and Premises above mentioned
 belonging or in any way appertaining, and also the messuages
 & diversions, remainder & remainder, Rents & services of the
 said Premises, and of every part thereof, with all the
 estate right, title, interest, Claim & demand whatsoever
 of her the said Mamon, of and in the said land &
 premises and every part thereof: to have & to hold the
 said land and all and singular the said
 premises above mentioned and every part and parcel
 thereof with the appurtenances, unto the Francis

a tract of land, lying upon Bayou Rochon, the number of acres unknown, by virtue of a Bill of Sale from a negro woman named Manon, to my Father & I from him.

Francis Guard

West Florida Co.

This Indenture made on the twenty ninth day of November in the seventh year of the reign of our sovereign Lord George the third by the grace of God of Great Britain, France & Ireland King, Defender of the Faith &c. &c. Between Manon of a free Negro woman of the Town of Mobile of the one part & Francis Guard of the same town Planter of the other water path, that the said Manon for and in consideration of the sum of fifty Spanish Milled Dollars to her in hand paid by the said Francis Guard, the receipt whereof the said Manon hereby acknowledge, she did and lawfully hath conveyed, bargained & sold, aliened & conveyed unto the said Francis Guard his heirs and assigns for ever a certain tract of planting land situate and lying in a part of the River called Bayou Rochon beginning at the boundary line of the planting field of Jacob Hamon a free mulatto of Mobile and taking its course downward extending to the third point of land from the former boundary, and also all lands, trees, woods, underwoods, rights Common, Common of pasture, profits, commodities, advantages, Hereditaments, ways, waters, and offshoots whatsoever to the said land and Premises above mentioned belonging or in any way appertaining, and also the rents & revenues, revenues & emendments, Rents & services of the said Premises, and of every part thereof, and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim & demand whatsoever

194. Julien Baptiste

On Wednesday, 4 July 1792, I, the undersigned
pastor of Immaculate Conception church of Mobile,
supplied the holy ceremonies of baptism according
to Catholic rite (baptized earlier for necessity) to
a boy born on ~~6 May 1790~~, who was named
Julien, the legitimate son of Pierre Baptiste and
Marguerite. Godparents were Jean Baptiste Liron
dier and Marguerite Bonis, represented by Genevieve,
her sister, and they were advised of their spiri-
tual parentage. In faith whereof I sign it.

Rev. Mameel Garcia

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Julian y de Ma-
partita.

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Miércoles día quatro del mes de Julio del año de mil setecientos noventa y dos: yo Fr. Man. Sancia cura de la Iglesia Pascagoula. lo legítimo de María Santísima de la Concepción de la Florida, suplico las Santas Ceremonias del Bautismo segun rito de Nra Madre la Gloria siendo Bautizado en Casa de neceidad, en un niño chgo. nació el día seis del mes de Mayo del año de mil setecientos y noventa, aqui puse por nombre Julian hijo legitimo de D. D. Bautista, y de Margarita. fueron sus Padrinos Juan Bautista Zapadni y Margarita Ponce teniendo por ella la familia Penóveva agüene a vent. el doctores Espiritual y na y Conite de firme de mis manos, en dicho día mes y año: ut supra.

Fr. Manuel Sancia

172. Bernard Baptiste

On 28 July 1789, I, the undersigned pastor
of Mobile, supplied the holy ceremonies of
baptism to Bernard, baptized by Francois Alexandre
of necessity, born on 22 October 1787, the legitimate
son of Pierre Baptiste and Marguerite

Jacques, residents of Gallinas River. Godparents
were Jean B. Bosarge and Marie Louise Peire.
Rev. Triguei Lamport

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En veinte y ocho dias del mes de Julio del año
once mil novecientos ochenta y nueve Yo el infra-
scrito Párroco de San Nicolás cumplí los sagrados
ritos Canónicos del Sacramento del Bautismo
a Donato, que fue bautizado por Fran-
cisco Alvarado en caso de Necesidad, nació el
Día Veinte y dos del mes de Octubre del año
de mil novecientos ochenta y siete, hijo
legítimo de Pedro Bautista y de Margarita
Gago, Habitantes del Pío de Gattison;
Sus Padres fueron Juan Bautista Bou-
rage, y Maria Luisa Piere

Miguel Lamport

50. Nicolas Baptiste,

On 4 December 1785, I, Louis Delacrosse,
priest of Mobile, have baptized solemnly, Nicolas
Baptiste, natural and legitimate son of Pierre
Baptiste and Marguerite Jacob, his parents, born
on 10 January 1785. His godfather was Conrad
delhof dit Colet of Mobile. Godmother was Hypo-
lite Alexandre. The godfather signed, the
other did not because she could not write
Conrad delhof Father Louis Delacrosse
dit Colet

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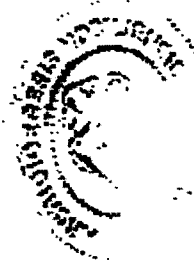
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nous Louis de la Roche, notaire, seigneur et
de la mobilite au baptiste. Solennellement Nicolas
baptiste fils naturel et legitime de pierre
baptiste et de marguerite jacob le parrain
mère et le dore, jacob jacob son parrain
le dore, dit colat neveu de la Roche
du Roy a la mobilite la marraine hypolite
alexandre le parrain a l'age non
deux parties, pour ne laisser de ce requies
par moy ce quatre decembre 1785 l'abbé
Antoine de la Roche de la Roche de la Roche de la Roche

35. Jean Baptiste

On 15 July 1853, I, a Religious priest, pastor
of the Church in Mobile, solemnly baptized Jean
Baptiste, born in March 1852, the legitimate son
of Pierre Baptiste and Marguerite Chas. Godparents
were Jean Baptiste Landreau and Jacova Bourgeois,
who were chosen of their spiritual fathers, do
faith whereof I sign it. Peter Francis Notary

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~~1783~~ 1783 Cinqüente de Julio mil cete cientos ochenta tres
y o. Fr. Franco Horatio del orden de los Redicadores

Juan Cura Beneficiado de Novita Bautizo solennemente
a Juan Bautista y Estacio en el Mes de Mayo
a ochenta das. Lixto Sextimo de peca ro Bautista
y Margarita chaco su consue pad xinos Juan
Bautista Biudo y Jacova Baza aqui en e adverti
el panto co espiritual da ipa y Conste los fñs
en dho día Mes y año

Fr. Franco Horatio

265. Diego Ursin Baptiste

On Sunday, 15 May 1796, I, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church of Mobile, baptized and gave the Holy Oils to a boy, son of Pierre Baptiste and Marguerite Jacob and gave him the name of Diego Ursin, born on ~~August 1795~~. Godparents were Diego Huover and Madame Kayer, who were advised of their spiritual parentage. In faith whereof, I sign it.

Rev. Constantine McKenna

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SHADY GRAVE CEMETERY CONT.

Our Beloved
Mother and Grandfather
Bessie D. Green
Sept. 16, 1914 - May 22, 1975

Ermit Danley
July 10, 1910 - Sept. 16, 1976

Otis Danley
June 27, 1915 - June 9, 1976

Louella Monteith Danley
April 18, 1889 - Sept. 6, 1975

unmarked grave

Ennis A. Warren
Dec. 22, 1901 - Jan. 18, 1957

4 unmarked adult graves

1 unmarked adult slab

"Jackie "
Jacquelyn W. Biggs
Oct. 6, 1938 - July 21, 1971
Beloved wife and Mother

Netty Karen Busby
Aug. 26, 1948 - Jan. 8, 1949

Phillip L. Young
May 16, 1933 - March 10, 1937

Donald E. Young
June 12, 1931 - Sept. 19, 1964

Smith Young
Aug. 6, 1904 - May 2, 1967

Amy H. Young
Feb. 28, 1906 - Oct. 31, 1971

Cleo K. Young
Jan. 17, 1926 - _____

New grave

Vickie S. Andrews (Jackie)
May 18, 1944 - Jan. 8, 1945

Infant son of
John E. & Mary M. Houston

Infant dau. of
John E. & Mary M. Houston
July 17, 1910 - July 17, 1910

Mother
Mary Mahala Houston
May 26, 1877 - Oct. 2, 1928

Father
John Edward Houston
Sept. 5, 1870 - March 8, 1950

Sister
Virginia Houston Goff
July 1, 1902 - Nov. 25, 1968

Mother
Mary Houston Lavender
May 20, 1904 - July 15, 1973

Dennis M. Lavender Sr.
April 28, 1930 - Sept. 26, 1982

Noel Batteaste
Aug. 24, 1845 - April 16, 1897

2 infants unmarked

John F. Battiste
Nov. 24, 1824 - March 13, 1904

Margaret Battiste
March 13, 1827 - Feb. 21, 1860

Jacob D. Battiste
1849 - 1935

unmarked infant slab

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Essie Telfair, dau. of S.H. & C.S. Dickin Oct. 3, 1892 - Feb. 12, 1893 age 14 mo., 9 days	Tyler Danley 1924 - 1961 1 unmarked infant slab 1 unmarked adult grave 1 unmarked infant grave
Clara S., wife of Samuel H. Dickin Died March 11, 1899 age 33 years	Early A. Adams U.S. NAVY WORLD WAR II March 19, 1918 - Nov. 10, 1963
Fairfax Freeland Nov. 24, 1913 - Nov. 3, 1915	Mark Allen Tillman Aug. 13, 1957 - Oct. 12, 1980
Freeland Joseph R. Emma E. 1872 - 1961 1877 - 1951	unmarked grave
Stella S. Peterson Aug. 21, 1882 - Aug. 22, 1834	Minnie Danley Whittington May 16, 1882 - Feb. 13, 1970
Thomas J. Peterson Jan. 15, 1874 - Sept. 4, 1928	Robert W. Danley "Willie" Oct. 8, 1902 - Dec. 18, 1974
George B. Stevens Sept. 15, 1850 - April 16, 1935	George W. Welch ALABAMA PVC ARMY AIR FORCE WORLD WAR II Dec. 7, 1905 - March 28, 1972
Mary Catherine, wife of George B. Stevens July 6, 1856 - April 30, 1897	William W. Welch April 13, 1902 - April 4, 1948
Daughter of George & Jessie B. Burslem 1 unmarked infant slab	Jesse Noel Calloway April 8, 1868 - Feb. 9, 1898
W. Burkett Nov. 10, 1941	Jesse M. Calloway March 1823 - Jan. 12, 1879
Sherman Danley 1913 - 1914	Charles Turner Calloway Oct. 20, 1863 - Nov. 7, 1864
Danley Ellen C. Andrew J. Dec. 9, 1891 April 26, 1881 March 15, 1979 Sept. 6, 1944	

Do hereby certify, that the lands granted to the petitioner not having been cultivated by reason of this great distance (117 ends) from his place of residence, he has returned the grant of the same to be deposited among the Archives of this place under my charge, and according to the informations which have been required from several Inhabitants of this place who have knowledge of the Country, it appears, that the tract of land now solicited by the petitioner is vacant and does not belong to any person. In faith whereof, I give the present at Mobile on the Seventh day of the month of October, one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

(Signed) Manuel de Lausos (SEAL)

New Orleans twenty second day of October in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

The Commandant of Mobile, will put the petitioner in possession of the tract of land for which he solicits a grant, containing twenty arpens in front by the usual depth of forty arpens at the spot designated by him in the preceding Memorial, provided that the same is vacant and without causing injury to a third person; under the express conditions that the petitioner shall make the customary road and clear sufficient ground thereon within the precise term of one year, and that this grant shall be void, if at the expiration of the exact period of three years the said land should not be actually occupied and cultivated, during which time he shall not sell it, or in any other way dispose of the same. In consequence of which, let the proceedings of the Survey be made out in continuation herewith, to be transmitted to me in order to provide the petitioner with the corresponding title in due and legal form.

(Signed) El Baron de Carondelet (SEAL)

To his Excellency the Governor and Intendant General.

Peter Baptiste an Inhabitant of the jurisdiction of Mobile, in the most respectful manner represents to your Excellency and says: that in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy six, the widow Huet departed this life, leaving your petitioner sole heir of her Plantation situated on the River Orbane, bounded on the East by said River and on the West by Bayou Hamon, distant about seven leagues from this Town; and as he has no grant for the land aforesaid, the same having been lost when the English were in possession of this Country; he humbly hopes that your Excellency will grant him the said land, and order the necessary titles to be issued in his favor, from the Secretary's office of this Government. Therefore, your petitioner entreats your Excellency to order as prayed for and in so doing he will receive great favor. Mobile Sixth day of October, in the year (118 ends) one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

(Signed) Peter Baptiste.

I Manuel de Lausos, Captain of the Regiment of Louisiana Infantry, Civil and Military Commandant of the Town of Mobile and its District.

Do hereby certify, that the tract of land prayed for by the petitioner is vacant and actually, belongs to him in absolute property, and further, that no other person has a title to the same, agreeable to his representation and in conformity to the informations acquired to that effect from several Inhabitants of this place, to all which I certify. In testimony whereof I grant the present at Mobile on the Seventh day of the month of October, one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

(Signed) Manuel de Lausos (SEAL)

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Descendants of Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit Graveline

Generation No. 1

1. Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline (Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born May 18, 1671 in Montreal, Canada, and died Abt. 1761 in Pascagoula, MS. He met **(1) Magdalen Pany (Indienne)** Abt. 1709. He married **(2) Marie Marthe Lavergne** Abt. 1711. She died 1713 in Dauphin Island, AL. He married **(3) Susanne (Indienne)** Abt. 1714.

Child of Jean Graveline and Magdalen (Indienne) is:

- + 2 i. Magdalen⁴ Baudrau, born Abt. 1711 in Dauphin Island, AL; died 1747.

Child of Jean Graveline and Susanne (Indienne) is:

- + 3 i. Jean Baptiste⁴ Baudrau II, born Abt. 1715 in Dauphin Island, AL; died June 07, 1757 in New Orleans, LA.

Generation No. 2

2. Magdalen⁴ Baudrau (Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline, Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born Abt. 1711 in Dauphin Island, AL, and died 1747. She married **(1) Pierre Pacquet II**, son of Pierre Pacquet and Marthe Coular. He died in The Island of St. Domingue. She met **(2) Francois Alexandre Chenet dit St. Martin** Abt. 1740, son of Vincent Chenet and Anne Paux. He was born Abt. 1715, and died 1789.

Child of Magdalen Baudrau and Pierre Pacquet is:

- + 4 i. Marie Marthe⁵ Pacquet, born May 04, 1735 in Mobile, AL; died Aft. 1814.

Children of Magdalen Baudrau and Francois St. Martin are:

- + 5 i. Marianne Alexandre dit⁵ St. Martin, born 1742 in Pascagoula, MS.
- 6 ii. Francois Alexandre dit St. Martin, born 1743.
- 7 iii. Magdalen Alexandre dit St. Martin, born 1747.

3. Jean Baptiste⁴ Baudrau II (Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline, Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born Abt. 1715 in Dauphin Island, AL, and died June 07, 1757 in New Orleans, LA. He married **(1) Marie Catherine Vinconneau** March 01, 1734 in Pascagoula, MS, daughter of Louis Vinconneau and Catherine Doussin. She was born 1715 in La Rochelle, France, and died in Pascagoula, MS. He met **(2) Marie Henriette Huet** Abt. 1742, daughter of Guillaume Huet and Perrine Rivouet. She was born Abt. 1720, and died February 09, 1770 in Mobile, AL.

Children of Jean Baudrau and Marie Vinconneau are:

- 8 i. Marie Catherine⁵ Baudrau, born January 05, 1735. She married Francois Louis Mazurier Abt. 1760; died 1782 in Mobile, AL.
- + 9 ii. Jean Baptiste Baudrau III, born September 14, 1736 in Pascagoula, MS.
- 10 iii. Claude Baudrau, born Abt. 1738.
- + 11 iv. Louise Catherine Baudrau, born January 13, 1742 in Pascagoula, MS; died Abt. 1807

in Bayou La Battre, AL.

Children of Jean Baudrau and Marie Huet are:

- + 12 i. Julie Baptiste⁵ Huet, born Abt. 1743; died in New Orleans, LA.
- + 13 ii. Pierre Baptiste Huet, born Abt. 1745; died Abt. 1805 in Mobile County, AL.

Generation No. 3

4. Marie Marthe⁵ Pacquet (Magdelen⁴ Baudrau, Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline, Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born May 04, 1735 in Mobile, AL, and died Aft. 1814. She married **(1) Michel Dargaray** Abt. 1751 in New Orleans, LA, son of Pierre D'Argaray and Gilette Gautier. He was born February 12, 1727 in New Orleans, LA. She married **(2) Jacob Henkel** May 04, 1769 in Point Coupee, Louisiana, son of Christian Henkel and Appoline Schlott. He was born Abt. 1720 in Westerheim, Germany.

Children of Marie Pacquet and Michel Dargaray are:

- 14 i. Nicolas⁶ Gargaret, born July 12, 1752.
- 15 ii. Jean Baptiste Gargaret, born July 11, 1754.
- 16 iii. Michel Gargaret II, born August 26, 1756.
- 17 iv. Marie Anne Gargaret, born March 19, 1758 in New Orleans, LA. She married Jean Ryan; born Abt. 1752 in Savannah, GA.
- 18 v. Marthe Gargaret, born Abt. 1760. She married Louis Fayard; died Abt. 1830.
- 19 vi. Pierre Gargaret, born May 19, 1762.

Children of Marie Pacquet and Jacob Henkel are:

- 20 i. Jacob⁶ Henkel II, born November 01, 1769 in Pointe Coupee, LA; died Abt. 1848. He married Marie Angelique Baudrau January 21, 1841 in Mobile, AL; born Abt. 1775 in Jackson County, MS; died April 29, 1853.
- 21 ii. Francoise Henkel, born 1772.
- 22 iii. Therese Henkel, born February 28, 1774. She married Francois Fonteneau February 16, 1793.

5. Marianne Alexandre dit⁵ St. Martin (Magdelen⁴ Baudrau, Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline, Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born 1742 in Pascagoula, MS. She married **Nicolas Ladner** Abt. 1758, son of Christian Ladner and Marie Brunel. He was born Abt. 1728.

Children of Marianne St. Martin and Nicolas Ladner are:

- 23 i. Nicholas⁶ Ladner II, born 1759; died Bef. 1795. He married Marie Angelique Baudrau; born Abt. 1775 in Jackson County, MS; died April 29, 1853.
- 24 ii. Marie Louise Ladner, born 1760 in Cat Island, MS; died Abt. 1802. She married Joseph Morin June 02, 1778; born 1737; died 1806 in Biloxi, MS.
- 25 iii. Michel Ladner, born November 05, 1762.
- 26 iv. Pierre Nicolas Ladner, born November 13, 1764 in Cat Island, MS; died Aft. 1830 in Jackson County, MS. He married (1) Unknown Spouse. He married (2) Helene Moreau; born Abt. 1775 in Mississippi.
- 27 v. Francois Nicholas Ladner, born November 11, 1766. He married Marie Louise Ladner Abt. 1785 in Hancock County, MS; born January 10, 1765.
- 28 vi. Claude Ladner, born Abt. 1768 in Cat Island, MS; died in Long Beach, MS. He married Anne-Marie Francoise La Fontaine May 06, 1801 in Mobile, AL; born 1772

in Mobile Co.

- in Mobile, AL.
- 29 vii. Joseph Nicholas Ladner, born Abt. 1770; died 1845 in Biloxi, MS. He married Rosalie Fayard March 05, 1801 in Mobile, AL; died Abt. 1855 in Biloxi, MS.
 - 30 viii. Magdelene Ladner, born Abt. 1770 in Cat Island, MS; died 1823 in Escambia County, Florida. She married Ignacio Serra Abt. 1785; born Abt. 1760 in Catalonia, Spain; died March 09, 1823.
 - 31 ix. Marie Helene Ladner, born Abt. 1775 in Cat Island, MS. She married Juan Cuevas; born July 08, 1762 in Algamitas, Andalusia, Malaga, Spain; died September 24, 1849.
 - 32 x. Genevieve Magdelene Ladner, born Abt. 1781; died Bef. 1830. She married Dominique Ladner September 24, 1799 in New Orleans, LA; born 1774; died 1844 in Harrison County, MS.
 - 33 xi. Jean Baptiste Ladner, born Abt. 1785. He married Julienne La Fontaine Abt. 1813; born November 16, 1795.

9. Jean Baptiste⁵ Baudrau III (Jean Baptiste⁴, Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline, Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born September 14, 1736 in Pascagoula, MS. He married **Marie Louise Fayard** February 10, 1801, daughter of Jean Fayard and Francoise Fisseau. She was born 1746 in Natchitoches, LA.

Children of Jean Baudrau and Marie Fayard are:

- 34 i. Genevieve⁶ Baudrau, born Abt. 1761. She married Charles Le Blanc Abt. 1777 in New Orleans, LA; born Abt. 1760 in Pennsylvania; died Abt. 1808.
- 35 ii. Jean Baptiste Baudrau IV, born Abt. 1767 in Pascagoula, MS; died 1852 in Pascagoula, MS. He married (Unknown Spouse).
- 36 iii. Marie Angelique Baudrau, born Abt. 1775 in Jackson County, MS; died April 29, 1853. She married (1) Nicholas Ladner II; born 1759; died Bef. 1795. She married (2) Jacob Henkel II January 21, 1841 in Mobile, AL; born November 01, 1769 in Pointe Coupee, LA; died Abt. 1848.
- 37 iv. Marguerite Baudrau, born Abt. 1784 in Pascagoula, MS. She married Edwin A. Lewis May 05, 1811 in Pascagoula, MS; born 1782 in Virginia.

11. Louise Catherine⁵ Baudrau (Jean Baptiste⁴, Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline, Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born January 13, 1742 in Pascagoula, MS, and died Abt. 1807 in Bayou La Battre, AL. She married **Joseph Bouzage** June 05, 1762 in New Orleans, LA, son of Jean Bouzage and Marie Touche. He was born February 26, 1733 in Poitiers, France, and died 1795 in Bayou La Battre, AL.

Children of Louise Baudrau and Joseph Bouzage are:

- 38 i. Marie Euphrosine⁶ Bosarge, born January 08, 1764 in Deer Island, MS. She married (1) Cornelius McCurtin January 21, 1806 in Mobile, AL. She married (2) Jacob McVoy November 01, 1808 in Mobile, AL.
- 39 ii. Jean Baptiste Bosarge, born April 30, 1766 in Deer Island, MS; died 1837 in Bayou La Battre, AL. He married Marie Jeanne Carcaux January 11, 1796; born December 09, 1775; died Abt. 1835 in Bayou La Battre, AL.
- 40 iii. Genevieve Bosarge, born July 08, 1770 in Mobile, AL. She married William Fisher June 14, 1800 in Mobile, AL.
- 41 iv. Marianne Bosarge, born 1773 in Mobile, AL.
- 42 v. Marie Marguerite Bosarge, born Abt. 1776 in Mobile, AL. She married Barthelemy Grelot II April 28, 1794 in Mobile, AL.
- 43 vi. Catherine Bosarge, born August 17, 1780 in Mobile, AL. She married Andre Fournier II October 07, 1804 in Dauphin Island, AL.

12. Julie Baptiste⁵ Huet (Jean Baptiste⁴ Baudrau II, Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline, Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born Abt. 1743, and died in New Orleans, LA. She married **Jacques Milon** December 21, 1761 in Mobile, Alabama, son of Henry Milon and Marie Girardy. He was born November 03, 1736 in Mobile, AL, and died October 02, 1808 in New Orleans, LA.

Children of Julie Huet and Jacques Milon are:

- 44 i. Joseph⁶ Milon, born November 25, 1765.
- 45 ii. Julie Milon, born September 18, 1767 in Mobile, AL; died 1775.
- 46 iii. Jacques Symphorien Milon, born October 15, 1769; died 1772.
- 47 iv. Marcel Soulangue Milon, born January 15, 1772 in New Orleans, LA. He married Rosalia Jacques Nicolas August 02, 1796 in New Orleans, LA; born July 11, 1776 in New Orleans, LA.
- 48 v. Zenon Milon, born February 02, 1774 in New Orleans, LA. He married Marguerite Delhomme January 22, 1797 in New Orleans, LA; born Abt. 1771.
- 49 vi. Marie Celeste "Francoise" Milon, born January 22, 1776 in New Orleans, LA; died June 05, 1841 in New Orleans, LA. She married Leon Meilleur April 28, 1795 in New Orleans, LA; born June 21, 1764 in New Orleans, LA.
- 50 vii. Catherine Isabel Milon, born September 29, 1777; died March 03, 1850 in New Orleans, LA. She married Francisco Bonaventure Alpuente July 29, 1804 in New Orleans, LA; born June 21, 1783 in New Orleans, LA; died June 29, 1842.
- 51 viii. Joseph Jacques Milon, born May 05, 1779.

13. Pierre Baptiste⁵ Huet (Jean Baptiste⁴ Baudrau II, Jean Baptiste Baudrau dit³ Graveline, Urbain Baudreau dit², Jean¹ Baudreau) was born Abt. 1745, and died Abt. 1805 in Mobile County, AL. He married **Marguerite "Jacob" Hamon** Abt. 1778 in Mobile County, AL, daughter of Jacques Hamon and Marianne Marchand. She was born 1756 in Mobile, AL, and died January 14, 1836 in Mobile County, AL.

Children of Pierre Huet and Marguerite Hamon are:

- 52 i. Pierre "Garcon"⁶ Baptiste, born Abt. 1779 in Belle Fontaine, AL; died Bef. 1849 in Mobile County, AL. He married Marie Barrieller January 16, 1828 in Mobile County, AL; born in Pensacola, FL.
- 53 ii. Louise Baptiste, born August 18, 1781 in Belle Fontaine, AL; died May 31, 1836 in Mobile, AL. She married Giovanni Giacomo Chighizola June 24, 1814 in Mobile County, AL; born 1789 in Genoa, Italy; died December 13, 1849 in Mobile, AL.
- 54 iii. Jean Pierre Baptiste, born March 1783 in Belle Fontaine, AL. He married Nancy Williams April 19, 1824 in Mobile County, AL; born Abt. 1785; died Bef. 1840 in Mobile County, AL.
- 55 iv. Nicolas Baptiste, born January 10, 1785 in Belle Fontaine, AL; died Bef. 1788 in Mobile County, AL.
- 56 v. Bernard "Bedo" Baptiste, born October 22, 1787 in Belle Fontaine, AL; died December 23, 1855 in Mobile County, AL. He married Mary "Polly" Whatley March 21, 1828 in Mobile County, AL; born Abt. 1800.
- 57 vi. Julien Baptiste, born May 06, 1790 in Belle Fontaine, AL; died Bef. 1805 in Mobile County, AL.
- 58 vii. Henriette Baptiste, born Abt. 1794 in Bayou La Batre, AL; died Bef. 1850 in Jackson County, MS. She married (1) Charles Lyons Abt. 1807 in Jackson County, MS; born Abt. 1790 in Jackson County, MS; died March 23, 1842 in Jackson County, MS. She married (2) William Jones May 28, 1839 in Mobile County, AL.
- 59 viii. Jacob Pierre Ursin Baptiste, born August 07, 1795 in Bayou La Batre, AL; died June 29, 1877 in Mobile County, AL. He married Sarah "Sally" Turner 1821 in Jackson County, MS; born August 17, 1797 in Orangeburg, SC; died January 14, 1886 in Mobile Co.

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Sincerely,

Renee Gautier-Hague

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To: pggen@jgrl.lib.ms.us
Subject: Glo records

Hi, I live at Hilton Head Island, SC and belong to The Heritage Library, a private library for genealogical and historical research. I am researching family of Pierre Baptiste, ca 1746 Mobile, AL. I am most interested in the Pre-1814 Land Claims East of the Pearl particularly the bound records of the GLO...1767-1892 microfilm M1382, roll #8. I was told you may have that film and would like to know if it would be possible to borrow that film via The Heritage Library. If that is not possible, do you know how I may obtain a copy. Kindest regards, Jan Davis-Shannon

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From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 10:11 AM
To: pggen@jgrr.lib.ms.us
Subject: Pierre Baptiste

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Hi Renee, thank you for your reply. I am also a descendant and familiar with the Graveline connection. I started the Baptiste list that includes Randall Ladnier, Deb Strahan, Francis Ashcraft etc. At one time we had 23 people on that list. When my husband became ill a few years ago I stopped researching but I am now resuming this line. I have most of the research data, Radall's manuscript, Eloise Genest's "The Passions of Princes", and the Les Descendants of Urbain Baudreau Graveline Genealogical Association publication. Although I don't totally discount the connection to the Gravelines, I would like to document as much as I can. I am skeptical but I hope open minded. I base my doubts on several issues that have remained unresolved to my satisfaction. First, Pierre Baptiste was enumerated in the Spanish Census and three of the census, two in January and one in March of one year, would have given him a birth year of 1747. Only one would have given him a birth year of 1746 at the earliest. That census has no month reported in the copy I have. I'm going by memory but it is a issue with me. His wife was also consistently 9 years his junior. That would make him too old in my judgment to have been of the Henriette-Baudrau liaison. Second, Perrine and Guillume had four children in 1721 census and one we have no history on. Henriette was on numerous christening records as a godmother, and was married, after her fall from grace, to a Catholic Church warden. Julie was married in the Church as were her children christened in the Church. Pierre and Marguerite's children's Catholic baptismal records reflect that they were "legitimate" but we cannot find a marriage record for Pierre, nor a christening record for him. I believe firmly that Henriette would have had her child (Pierre) baptized in the Church given her numerous participations in the Sacrament and her marriage to a Church warden. "Sole heir" given the succession rights of the French, could have been a relative but not necessarily Henriette's son. I'd like to find land records where the Huet's obtained the land and also the record of Pierre's land on Bayou Chateaugay and Belle Fountain. The petition to the Spanish government described Pierre's land as bordered on the west side by the Bayou and Pierre's land was located east of the Bayou. I concede that was probably a transcribers error. Petite was said in Ladnier's manuscript to have lived at Belle Fountain and I'm trying to locate that land. Louisa Baptiste Chighizola's descendants state that she was given Belle Fountain land by her father as a wedding gift although I'm

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unsure if he was still alive at the time of her marriage. I think he died right prior to it. The heirs of Pierre have a record of land they got from Rochon, and Deb Strahan and Randall Ladrner assert that land came from Marguerite's mother Marianne. I just haven't been able to get the land histories straight. I do have a photo copy of the original survey's that Colette King got for us. I'm descended from Jacob Pierre Baptiste Sr. How are you related? Kindest regards, jan

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 1:43 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Pierre Baptiste

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Hey Renee, The other researcher's are aware of my reservations and issues. Randall by far did most of the intense and complicated research. He is probably more reliable and knowledgeable in understanding the period, French law and the families. Randall also worked with known and recognized knowledgeable experts. As you may know, he-traveled-to France to obtain records that were not available here at the time. Deb Strahan did equally an extensive search and read French and Spanish original records that were filmed by the Mormon's at one of their family center's in California. She copied the original baptismal records for Pierre's children written in French and Spanish. I have the copies. If you don't have them and would like them, I'd be happy to snail them to you.

I have the records from the Superior Council of Louisiana as reported in the Louisiana Historical Quarterly on the court battles by Petite. As early as Jan of 1744 Petite was petitioning the court regarding Henriette's abduction and in March of 1744 Petite asked the council to be appointed curator of Widow Huet and Henriette. Ignace was granted the appointment effective March 30, 1744. In June of 1745 Petite asserts that Henriette was "burdened with two children". I just think that is too early for Pierre's birth. Our family's verbal history was that we were descended from Jean Baptiste Lemoyne (who never married.) Martha Hyde's family's oral history also believed the same. Martha is of Louisa Baptiste's line and I'm of Jacob Pierre's. Oddly though, Martha and her sister's went to the Visitation Convent School for Girls with my mother and her sister's, and they didn't know they were distant cousins. I think verbal family history is important. I have found two records in the Louisiana Marriage Contracts 1725-1758 by Forsyth-Pleasanton that referred to Governor Bienville and his "wife" attending weddings. Jay Higginbotham told me that it was pretty well rumored, and most historians believed that Bienville had a son by an Indian woman and that he was known to be seen around the camps. As it is asserted that Graveline was given an Indian woman by a chief as a gift, I can only imagine that Bienville would have merited the same. Most of us believe Pierre's father was named Jean through verbal family tradition. Vidrine in Love's Legacy noted that Pierre came to Mobile around 1750. She couldn't recall where she saw a reference that led her to believe that statement (but I feel sure she saw something that reflected that assertion.) I don't know if Pierre was Bienville's or Bienville's son....I'm not even sure he

was of Bienville. But I'm equally not assured he was of the Graveline
family. Regards, jan

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Baptiste 134

From: jan davis-shannon

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 1:48 PM

To: Sherry Owens

Subject: Re: Pierre Baptiste

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Renee, River Orbane was Bayou La Batre. Joseph Bosarge owned the west side of the Bayou and Pierre Baptiste owned the east side. The transcription should read that Pierre's land was bordered on the WEST by the Orbane River. It states on the East. Jan

Sherry Owens

Baptist 135

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 3:18 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Pierre Baptiste

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Hi Renee, I'll be happy to send you what I have. Don't worry about the postage...I have a copier so that's not a problem. Yes I do Have Henriette's christening record in the original Spanish and the certified copy of translation from Archivist at the Immaculate Conception. It reads, Henriette Baptiste -On 5 April, 1795, I pastor of Immaculate Conception Church of Mobile, baptized and put the Holy Oils to a girl, daughter of Pierre Baptite and Marianne Jacob and gave her the name of Henriette. Godparents were Henry Ayer and Petronille Gallegas for the Widow "Mascuri" (sic hard to read that surname), who were advised of their spiritual parentage. In faith where of I sign it. Rev. Constantine McKenna. I'll stay in touch. Regards, jan

Sherry Owens

Baptist 136

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From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 3:27 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Pierre Baptiste

Renee, Bayou Chateaugay was named after Jean Baptiste Lemoyne Sieur Bienville's brother, who was titled Sieur Chateaugay. I don't know if you are familiar with Mobile, but the Bayou is Three Mile Creek which runs from downtown Mobile, out toward the area known as Creighton and possibly beyond that. It's a pretty long creek. Chateaugay subdivision is located near the Convent of Visitation and Pierre's house was near that location. I also have Pierre's signature as a witness to the Grelot-Nicasie wedding in French and the Love's Legacy translation. I'll send you what I do have that I think you would want. I'll also send you the translated copies of Bienville's attendance of the weddings referring to his "wife". Later, jan

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From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 4:56 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Pierre Baptiste

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Renee, I found an entry at Family search that listed Mrs. Grelot sex: F Event (s): Misc. Abt. 1775 Of Evansville, Vanderburgh, Indiana
Parents: Relatives: Margarito Bautista

Source Information: Film Number 184130 Page Number: 788
Reference Number: 22128

Messages: Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church,. The record often shows the name of the individual and his or her relationship to a descendant, shown as the heir, family representative, or relative. The original records are not indexed, and you may have to look at the film frame-by-frame to find the information you want.

Renee, I don't know if this is a reference to our Mobile families, but I would like to view that film. The time period would be correct for the individuals. Perhaps this was from a last Will or dealing with an estate. I just have to order it and see what's on it.

I have records from the diocese where priest from Mobile wrote for dispensations for marriage because he stated there were only four or five families in Mobile. They were mostly related and intermarried. I believe Pierre as a witness at the wedding of Marie Jeanne Nicaise and Barthelemy Grelot may have been there because Marie may be Marguerite's relative either thru the Nicaise lines or the Miot lines. Later, jan

Sherry Owens

Baptist 138

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 4:59 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Pierre Baptiste

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Ooops, I see a typo. God parents were Henry Kayer...

Sherry Owens

Baptiste 139
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From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 5:08 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Baptiste family

Renee, Jeanette Bornholt works in the genealogy dept. at the Foley Library. Jeanette's of Jacob Pierre's line also. She's the one that gave me the film information. I don't know what's on it, just feel it's worth looking at. I wrote the NAR today for forms to order the case file on land patents. They won't fax, email, and can't get form off internet. You can email the request for the form but they snail it to you. Glo-BLM only has the patents. The applications people filled out are at the National Archives and they call it the "case file". Some times there isn't much in them and other times there is a lot of information. I thought I'd try and see what was in the case files for some of the earliest land patents from our Baptiste. Do you think your sister would want to look at that or would it be an imposition? I will gladly reimburse her any cost that may be incurred. I've to order some for my other lines so it won't be a problem if you feel it would be an imposition on your sister. Later, jan

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Baptist 140

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 6:00 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Baptiste family

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Renee, You may want to go to our Yahoo group list and join. It's free and open membership, unmoderated and we have 420 messages on the forum dedicated to research and sharing of genealogy information for Pierre Baptiste born abt. 1747 Of Mobile. I started the list in May of 2000 and my husband became ill that summer. I lost him in Sept. of 2000 and stopped doing research until now. On the right side margin of the home page, under the title FILES we have uploaded the baptismal records we have both in Eng. translation and in the original French or Spanish. I'll still send you stuff I haven't uploaded there and the baptismal records if you aren't able to print them off fro the site. You can post messages from the site or email a post to the group at: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com Let me know. The web address is: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BaptisteFamily/> Later, jan

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2003 8:10 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Louisa Baptiste

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Renee, Are you familiar with Louisa Baptiste's husband and the Chighizola family? Louisa's descendants assert that her husband, Giovanni Giacomo Chighizola was a stowaway in 1806 and had sailed from Genoa Italy. He soon discovered he was on a pirate's ship and when it neared Pensacola, FL, he jumped ship. He was rescued by a surveyor, Mr. Kennedy (probably Joshua), who trained Giacomo to become a surveyor too. He traded his surveying skills for land, some of this being on the Mobile water front. He became wealthy, became a ship owner, shipping cotton to Italy and carrying Italian marble on the return voyages to Mobile, eventually became a grocer. Occupations: Surveyor, Importer (Italian marble), Exporter (cotton), ship owner, grocer. Renee, Chighizola is an unusual name and "Nez Coupe" Louis Chighizola arrived in New Orleans and Grand Isle, LA about the same time period. Louis was a lieutenant of the infamous Pirate Jean Lafitte. Martha Hyde, who researched her line from this family, died in late 2000. I have her research information. Martha's dau. Donna is on our Baptiste list. Martha and I believed that our Louisa's husband was related to Louis "Nez Coupe" Chighizola in New Orleans but have not been able to prove it yet. I've had contact with Vera Chighizola at Grand Isle and recently she told me she found Louis's parents who were Thomas Chighizola and Nina Costanin of Genoa, Italy. Giacomo was b. 1789 Genoa, Piedmont, Italy and his parents were Jean Baptiste Chighizola and Magdalena Merel. Martha also asserts that the Chighizola tract at Bellefontaine, considerably south of John Boudin's home, was formerly a part of the dowry of Louisa Baptiste. You may already have this but in case you don't, I thought you may find it of interest. Regards, jan

Sherry Owens

Baptiste 142

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 4:59 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Fw: Baptiste, etc.

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Renee, I thought you may find this email of interest....jan

----- Original Message -----

From: Dfdorr@aol.com
To: silky1@hargray.com
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 11:02 PM
Subject: Baptiste, etc.

Hi! Thanks for your note. Pierre was not, at least in this area, a farmer - this was never farm country. What it had was water - plenty of it: the Rabys bought in because they could careen their schooners and have access to fresh - if brackish - water. Of more importance, perhaps, were the aboriginal shell mounds, which the Rabys excavated and schoonered to Mobile, which was a-building - and New Orleans - which was always re-building after fires. What this desolate place was good for was running cattle and producing naval stores - I've seen and photographed the tarpits at Belle Fountain.

Portersville was not adjacent to Pierre's property but on it. It was a Raby project, in conjunction with their Krebs allies, and was bankrolled by Edwin Porter of Richmond, who had bought the mail route from New Orleans to Mobile (the route from Portersville to Mobile overland was direct and fast, as the Union generals knew).. After it failed - through bankruptcy and because another Krebs ally dredged a channel through the oyster reefs that rendered the rail project moot - the local economy went back to naval stores. Luckily, North Carolinians had just developed the turpentine still, and Rabys married with Orrells (from North Carolina) and - *voila!*

Development of transportation and refrigeration eventually brought about the seafood industry, which we still owe our livelihood to today.

Hope this quick vignette helps! My thought is that if Pierre is obscure, he meant it to be that way. Need I mention smuggling - and the Lafittes - and someone named Huet? And that the pirate fellowship was so strong that just a few short a few years after Pierre's death they contemplated taking Pensacola? That's another story!

Thanks again!

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Thanks again!

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From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 5:01 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Fw: Chighizola, Huet

Renee, Here is an email from Donald who lives in Bayou La Batre and is very familiar with the history. Thought you may find it of interest. jan

----- Original Message -----

From: Dfdorr@aol.com
To: silky1@hargray.com
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2003 8:05 PM
Subject: Chighizola, Huet

Hi! Your bit on the Genoa connection reminded me of a couple of stray pieces.

1. Margaret Dalrymple, *THE MERCHANT OF MANCHAK* (1978: LSU Press), p. 159, refers to John Fitzpatrick's shipping Natchez tobacco "on board Mons. Baptist" from New Orleans to McGilvray, Strothers in Mobile in 1773. According to Mobile Co. Probate Court Deed Bk. 16, NS, p. 83, Pierre had a residence and landing on the east side of Bayou La Batre. Is "Mons. Baptist", involved in the coastal trade between New Orleans and Mobile, the Pierre Baptiste who has a "landing" at Bayou La Batre?

2. Castellanos, *NEW ORLEANS AS IT WAS* (1976 reprint : LSU Press), p. 41, gives an account of a party given by General Humrt to "the French convivial spirits of the town. The Baratarians, as you may infer, were on hand, and took a prominent part in the affair. Among the celebrities were the two brothers Lafitte... [and] Huet, the planter at Bayou St. John and 'homme d'affaires'...." The index lists "Huet, planter, friend of Lafitte."

3. Jumping forward many decades, ship registries in the Mobile Probate Ct. Archives for years 1896 - 7 show Adolph and "G." Batiste as owners of the schooners *Katie D.* and *Black Squall* respectively.

Best!

Sherry Owens

Baptiste 145

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 7:18 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Baptiste records

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Renee, I went ahead and printed off the christening records on early Baptiste because I knew the library was closed over the weekend and didn't know if you were able to access and print them off the Baptiste forum at Yahoo. I'll put your packet in the mail today. Later, jan

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Baptiste 146

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 9:58 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Baptiste, etc.

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Thanks Renee. I don't have a clue who visited and believes she is of Bienville. Martha Hyde (now deceased) from Louisa's line and I (Jacob Pierre's line) are the only two that I knew of that were "actively" researching the Bienville connection. Would love to know. I have a Rolls line from Grand Bay on my father's side that is somehow connected to the Farragut's and Raby's in Jackson co. We are just beginning that line. I may have told you, my mother is descendant from Noel Turner's dau. Sarah via the Baptiste, and my father is descendant from Noel Turner's son John, whose dau. Sarah Turner mar. William Hallett Rolls of Grand Bay. Wm. Hallett's dau. Sophronia mar. Swanston Theodore Davis, b. Jackson co., Ms moved to Grand Bay. Swanston's father John S. Davis was an early Jackson co. settler. I have a whole book on the Davis of Jackson co. that came from Morgan Davis ca 1622 Wales immigrated late in live to Penn. Jefferson Davis is from this family. Later, jan

Sherry Owens

Baptiste 147

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 10:34 AM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Baptiste land patents

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Renee, that would be wonderful if your sister could pull a few Baptiste/Battiste "case files" with the claimants applications at the National Archive's in Washington. As I may have stated before, some have little info in them and some are "loaded"...immigration papers, family names etc. Like Forrest Gump says "life is like a box of chocolates..you never know what you are going to get"! I'll look back and see what the very earliest Battiste land patents were....Jacob Pierre had around 96 land patents mostly with a man named Wm. de Forrest Holly. They are difficult to track because of the spelling variations..i.e. Bateaste, Babtist etc. but I have them somewhere. I'll look at dates for John Battiste also. I just feel like the very early applications may have some information in them. Are you sure this won't be an imposition on your sister? I can get them via snail mail...it will just take time. I've ordered the forms to fill out..they have to get here...then be filled out and returned..then request filled and snailed back to me. I feel sure there will be a charge to pull and copy a few of these records and if your sister agrees to do so, I will be most happy to cover her cost. Later, jan

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Baptist 148

From: jan davis-shannon
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 8:17 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Fw: Baptiste, etc.

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Renee, I thought you may enjoy Donald's thoughts regarding Pierre's death and burial. jan

----- Original Message -----

From: Dfdorr@aol.com
To: silky1@hargray.com
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 8:36 PM
Subject: Re: Baptiste, etc.

Never, never, never an imposition!

I have been reminded by other researchers, cleverer than I, that we have no proof - other than Jerry Andrews' assertion - that Pierre actually died in 1813: that *that* was only when the land claims were entered by his succession.

David Sprinkle, I think, believes that Pierre was buried in Bayou la Batre.

I dither about that, plagued incessantly by the Chighizola remains at Catholic Cemetery in Mobile. My own dream is that an ancient 'table' monument there, long crushed to earth., may be the monument of Pierre Baptiste. This style of monument was only briefly popular, and it fits the time. And Andrews' mention of Three Mile Creek - Bayou Chateaugue - is suggestive: Catholic Cemetery is on Three Mile Creek.

Plus: I can't see Pierre, as a man of affaires, not having a Mobile residence.

A puzzlement for sure! Best always!

Sherry Owens

Baptiste 149

From: Jan Davis-Shannon
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 5:56 PM
To: Sherry Owens
Subject: Re: Samuel

Renee, to my knowledge, only Julie Huet has been linked to Henriette Huet (and speculated with J.B. Baudrau whom Henriette had a known relationship with earlier) in any record...on Julie's marriage record it stated that she was Henrietta's daughter. I've yet to see a record that links Pierre to the same family other than "sole heir" to Perrine Huet's plantation...and "sole heir" could mean anything...to inherit only means same, heir to the estate...others in that era had left their land to neighbors(as heirs) and friends or other relatives. Perrine outlived her husband, her son Jean Baptiste, her dau. Henriette..For me personally, there are too many unknowns...a marriage record for Marguerite and Pierre (whose children were "legitimate" in Catholic christening records)...Vidrine's assertion in Love's Legacy that Pierre Baptiste "came" to Mobile around 1750...where was he??? Barbara Martindale is of the same lines I am but different branch of the Collins family...Louisa Baptiste's Chighizola family and my branch of Jacob Pierre's line believed the same oral history that we were of Bienville...There were two John and Jacob Baptiste in the Mobile area the same period, yet one family was from Italy and the other French and no known relationship. There were two Jacob Rolls in Mobile early 1800's, one from England, the other from PA...no known relationship. Marguerite Jacob's lines have never been proven to my satisfaction, only that there was a "Marguerite" in the area....it was such a common name of the period but not one record has been found that proves the suppositions of the relationships. Marriage records usually give the couples parents, and I do believe there is a marriage record for Pierre and Marguerite somewhere...with out that, I don't lend much credence to the suppositions. I would be more than willing to believe the Graveline lineage if there were more documented evidence. But that's just my personal belief...and hopefully, the Spanish records

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in Pensacola will have some of our missing documents. Kindest
regards, Jan

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----- Original Message -----

From: Sherry Owens

To: Jan Davis-Shannon

Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 5:51 PM

Subject: RE: Samuel

Jan,

Why would J.B.B.dit Graveline have petitioned the Superior court in New Orleans to set up financial provisions for Henriette's children? That petition was in April 1747..it is even the Vaudreuil papers.

Who in your family passed down the story of Bienville being your ancestor?

What about Barbara Jean McNamara's research..she is a descendant of Noel Pierre, great-grandson of Pierre. I'm just trying to stay open minded! Thanks again. Many regards for a great day!!!

Renee

-----Original Message-----

From: Jan Davis-Shannon [mailto:silky1@hargray.com]

Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2003 9:36 AM

To: Sherry Owens

Subject: Re: Samuel

Hi Renee, I have read Bienville's Will....I think it was because of his importance to the French government, that his liaison with an Indian woman was kept quiet..France certainly didn't want that...the Catholic Church didn't either...an illegitimate half

----- Original Message -----

From: Sherry Owens

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Renee Hague

From: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com on behalf of jan davis-shannon [silky0313@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2010 11:47 AM
To: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [BaptisteFamily] Fwd: LANDS: Main Menu / Alabama Secretary of State

Glad you now know about it...it is a very good resource. The biggest problem I have found is the difficulty of navigating it. Stuff I have found on this site include field notes and survey of Pierre Baptiste's land at Bayou Hamon with the actual house draw on the plat that shows where his home was located [says something to the effect of *orig. house of P. Baptiste and a drawing of a house*]. Same thing for LaLande's property....it has the house drawn and says *ville or villa La Fontaine*.

I found a survey and field notes for LaLande's claim and the surveyor notes as follows:

"Pursuant to an order of survey dated Sept. 9, 1830 issued by the register and receiver of the land office at St. Stephens, Alabama I have surveyed for Charles LaLande _____ of Charles Amon a tract of land situated on the waters of Deer River and Mobile Bay in Township No. 6 South Range No. 1 **west** bounded and described as follows, viz..."etc. [*note that this site erroneously has it **indexed** under T6S **R1N***]

I can't make out the missing word but it may say something to the effect of legatee... at any rate, it makes me think that Mary Anne Jacob, widow Amon may have fallen heir to it by virtue of her deceased husband, [Charles?] Amon....

The only way to navigate the translated records is to go page by page. If you have access to the WPA's index, you may want to use it to look up what page a document is on, but I don't think it will match this version of the translated records...Pierre's petition is on page 132 and 133 on this site and page 77 in the WPA version [I think...].

On Tue, Aug 17, 2010 at 10:35 AM, Jeanette Bornholt <FPLLIB@hotmail.com> wrote:

OHMYGOSH! How did I not know about this site, Jan!!!! Have used the Secretary of State site often for patron research here in the library for businesses, land searches, etc. but was not aware of this link....Thanks so much. You can search by name with a *browse* search, too. You can bet you'll know what I will be doing when I get a chance.

Jeanette Bornholt
 gggranddaughter of Margaret Baptiste Collins
 and Librarian
 Alabama, Local History & Genealogy Collections
 Foley Public Library
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Renee Hague

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Subject: RE: [BaptisteFamily] Fwd: LANDS: Main Menu / Alabama Secretary of State

OHMYGOSH! How did I not know about this site, Jan!!!! Have used the Secretary of State site often for patron research here in the library for businesses, land searches, etc. but was not aware of this link....Thanks so much. You can search by name with a *browse* search, too. You can bet you'll know what I will be doing when I get a chance.

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To: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com
 From: silky0313@gmail.com
 Date: Sun, 15 Aug 2010 10:40:35 -0500
 Subject: [BaptisteFamily] Fwd: LANDS: Main Menu / Alabama Secretary of State

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Later, Jan

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Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2010 1:07 PM
To: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [BaptisteFamily] Two versions of part of Pierre's 1792 petition

Here are two versions of only *part* of Pierre's petition of 1792 so that it is fairly obvious that they are two different translations:

Page 119 [I believe to be written by Joseph Caro]

..." The Commandant of Mobile, will put the petitioner in possession of the tract of land above designated, having for its front between Bayou Hamon and the above mentioned water course called Orbane; it being well understood, with the usual depth only of forty arpens at the place pointed out in the proceeding memorial; provided that the same is vacant and without causing injury to a third person; under the express conditions, that he shall make the customary road and clear sufficient ground thereon within the precise time of one year, and this grant shall be void, if at the expiration of the exact period of three years, the said land should not be actually occupied and cultivated, during which time he shall not sell it, or in any other way dispose of the same. In comessnence [?] of which, let the proceedings of the survey be made out in continuation herewith, to be transmitted to me, in order to provide the petitioner with the corresponding title in due form. (Signed) El Baron de Carondelet.

Translated record, Book 2, Page 77 [I believe to be work of the WPA]

The Commandant of the post of Mobile will put the petitioner in possession of the tract of land above described situated in front between the Bayou Hamon and the above mentioned water course called Orbane which shall ___forty arpens in front depth at the place designated in the above memorial provided the same is vacant and that no injury is thereby done on the express condition that he makes the customary road and other improvement required within one year. And if the said tract of land shall not be occupied and cultivated within the term of three years, then the grant shall be null and void during which time he shall not sell or in any way alienate said land. On the performance of these conditions he may proceed to have the survey of said land completed, a plat and certificate of which shall be transmitted to me in order that the petitioner may be furnished with the necessary titles in due form. Signed El Baron de Carondelet.

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From: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com on behalf of jan davis-shannon [silky0313@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2010 12:04 PM
To: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com; jean_baptiste_baudreau_dit_graveline
Subject: [BaptisteFamily] Fwd: Inventaires d'archives, IREL

Here is a link to a list of 16 Huet files that are on the French Archives site in France. Hope y'all can access the files.

Later,
Jan

http://anom.archivesnationales.culture.gouv.fr/ir?ir=FRANOM_00019&start=&q=huet&geogname=&date=&from=&to=

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To: BaptisteFamily@egroups.com; jean_baptiste_baudreau_dit_graveline
Subject: [Jean_Baptiste_Baudreau_dit_Graveline] Fwd: Inventaires d'archives, IREL

Here is a link to 6 Milon files located on the French Archives site. Again, I hope y'all can access the hand written records.

Later,
 Jan

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Subject: [BaptisteFamily] Secretary of State's site

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Jan

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To: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [BaptisteFamily] Pierre's 1792 petition

I have recently discovered that there are 3 hand written versions of Pierre's petition of 1792 to the Spanish for his Bayou Hamon land.

One is posted at the AL Secretary of State's web site that is in a bound book and is hand written; The pages are numbered by hand _ pages 132 and 133. The first page of this book has a message by Joseph Caro stating he has completed his transcriptions and translations for Govenor Bagby etc. This copy begins with the words "Peter Baptiste and *inhabitant* of the jurisdiction of Mobile...."

The second copy I have is transcribed and worded the same but is obviously a second copy_ the page is 119. It's in the same hand writing and may have come from the Mormon films...I can't recall where I got this copy. The words run on different lines than the other copy. I believe this to also be the hand writing of Joseph Caro and perhaps it was a second copy he must have made.

The third copy is in a different hand writing and may be the work of the WPA. It is transcribed differently and begins with "Peter Baptiste, who *resides* within the jurisdiction of Mobile..." This copy has some additional phrases not in the other two and some translated words are different English words. The record has "Translated record book 2 page 77" in the margin.

If anyone knows the origins and locations of where these records are housed, please share with this group. I wrote the Secretary of State inquiring as to the origins of their online record but have not heard back. I also wrote Collette King inquiring as to what the origins of the copy the county has and which one they have [version and pages] but her email address is no longer active and it bounced back. I'll let y'all know if I can identify the documents and their origins

Since I was told that Caro did not return the original French and Spanish documents, but only the translations to Alabama..I'm wondering what was the basis of the other translation...by perhaps the WPA? Surely if you read the second translation, it was not taken from Caro's so I assume that whom ever translated that document [book 2 page 77] had to have had the originals.

Later,
 Jan

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State of Alabama
City of Mobile.

page 1.

It is now known to the persons of an Act of the Legislature of the State of Alabama, approved the fourth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three, and in pursuance of a Commission to me (witness) by the Excellency of the Hon. J. P. Wright, Governor of said State, bearing date third of March one thousand eight hundred and forty of said Excellency, transmitted and duly answered the following Petition, signed and sworn to by the following Petitioner, Samuel and Spanish Records in this State, having relation to two claims, he joining from the Warrent of America on Thomas and Thomas and his children, and residing in the neighborhood of the same on Thomas eight hundred and twelve.

Given under my hand and seal this fourth day of October one thousand eight hundred and forty.

Wm. B. Ross Governor of Alabama

(Applicant is La. Milla Cardillo, Governor of the Province of Louisiana, and John Baptiste Luter & Demondigues, Citizens of King's Commission and Commissioner of African Commission of the Province of Louisiana.

Whereas by a representation to me made by Joseph Simon de la Roche, an inhabitant residing at San-Juan de los Rios, he prays a grant to a certain tract of land which fronts on the Sea shore, containing one league in width he is now a slave, by one Negro in 'Eighty one' being the owner 'one Nicks', bound on the South by 'Pill' (the) on the West by the Sea when fronting the 'Lion's' Bay, and on East by the North for the purpose of placing a stock of cattle, and he entitled a plantation there.

Now therefore in virtue of the powers conferred upon me by his Majesty the King and his Council, we do hereby grant and confirm, and by these presents have granted and confirmed, unto the above named Joseph de la Roche, the title of said tract above described and designated, for himself, his heirs and assigns, in order that he may enjoy, possess, sell, exchange or dispose of the said tract of land at his will and pleasure, as his lawful property acquired by legal rights, on condition that he will place one legat on the said tract of land some cattle, and shall cultivate same. By two witnesses given, (and) he, the said Joseph de la Roche, in failing to comply with the conditions above stipulated, the said title granted shall be voided to the King's Dominion, to be disposed of as of such grant and

Respect to file

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James / [Signature]
Canting P.



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From: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com on behalf of jan davis-shannon [silky0313@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, August 27, 2010 10:49 AM
To: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [BaptisteFamily] Survey's and plats

In the Belle Fontaine survey (McDowell field notes) it names Pierre Rochon as the original claimant and Pierre Baptise's heirs as present claimant's by name. In that survey, it refers to the waterway as "Bayou Fontaine" that is on Pierre's land. I have seen a later survey and the house drawn on Pierre's Fowl River/Belle Fontaine property and it is located on that little bayou off the Bay up near the Leland property. I believe that stream was called Bayou Fontaine at one time and Pierre's house was built on it. But the house just above it on Leland's plat is called Belle Fontaine and may have been the original plantation...perhaps all on tract at one time. I don't really know. The Baptiste file is damaged and I can not access the one with Pierre's house drawn on it at Fowl River anymore (on the Secretary of States site) although I wrote to them asking if they could repair the file. If you look at the Leland plat, just below his south property line you will see a squiggly line that shows a watercourse. That is where Pierre's house on Fowl River was located.

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To: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [BaptisteFamily] Belle Fontaine survey and plat w/ original house

What I lack in computer skills I make up for in tenacity:) I'll try and see if I can get the copies to y'all....

On Fri, Aug 27, 2010 at 10:03 AM, jan davis-shannon <silky0313@gmail.com> wrote:

On Fri, Aug 27, 2010 at 9:52 AM, Jeanette Bornholt <FPLLIB@hotmail.com> wrote:

RAT! I could not open the attachment because "the file did not begin with'%pdf'" whatever that means, Jan. Sorry. Must be gremlin day with my computer. But I'll keep at it. Thanks for the work.
 Jeanette

To: BaptisteFamily@yahoogroups.com
 From: silky0313@gmail.com
 Date: Fri, 27 Aug 2010 09:43:25 -0500
 Subject: [BaptisteFamily] Belle Fontaine survey and plat w/ original house [1 Attachment]

[Attachment(s) from jan davis-shannon included below] Here is the actual Belle Fontaine plantation house drawn on Charles Leland's survey plat. in the third line of his survey it refers to Charles Amon but I can't make out the word before his name. Leland received the land from Mary Ann Jacob, widow Amon/Hamon, that was formerly Charles Miot's and later his heirs property. This is just above Pierre Baptiste's Fowl River plantation on Mobile Bay and on the Baptiste survey the actual Belle Fountain spring is located. Perhaps it had once been one tract....don't know. But in these surveys the Belle Fontaine house was on the Leland property and the Belle Fontaine spring on the Baptiste property below it.

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Chapter XV.

EDUCATION

That Jackson County has kept pace with the educational progress in the state for more than a century, can be gleaned from the following chapter upon this subject.

Early in 1820, public spirited citizens of this section saw the necessity of schools, and the resultant advantages that would accrue therefrom. They exerted every energy, were liberal in subscriptions, encouraged the promotion of educational institutions, and were not less diligent in any duty toward the fulfillment of the desired end - more knowledge.

That their soul ambitions have been realized, is testified by the fact that Jackson County's Schools now rank with the best, and it will elate you to read of the pathway that has been made.

SCHOOLS OF YESTERDAY

The first school was built by Valentine Delmas, a most progressive citizen, at the settlement on Pascagoula river. He came from New Orleans in 1800, erected a school in 1820 - just north of the old Frederick de St. Feral place (later erected in 1829), and hired the first teacher, Frederick de St. Feral, at a salary of \$600 per year. All children were invited to attend, and were made welcome without pay. Mr. Feral was well qualified, having received his education in France. He was also a civil engineer and laid out the greater part of Old Scranton with the aid of Valentine Delmas (See Chap. 1, Formation).

When, some years later, Frederick went to New Orleans, his wife, the eldest daughter of Valentine Delmas, filled his position in the school.

After her husband's death in 1840, Mrs. Frederick, left with five children, taught a private school in her home. To her children she gave the rudiments of their education, and in time, her eldest daughter, Josephine, taught until her marriage to Mr. Donovan, when she conducted a private school in her home. This lasted until the building of the old Scranton Academy, where she was one of the first teachers. (1)

.) Charles Delmas, and Miss Bella Delmas, Pascagoula, Miss.

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Early in 1850, a committee of the Grant, Krebs, and Delmas families, and all others of the Pascagoula district who were financially able, organized a school, located on a tract of land in Grant's Lane. Capt. John Grant paid for the erection of a teachers' home, a school building, and a church, chiefly for the education of his eleven grandchildren. These grounds extended from where Oliver Cole's home now stands, on Grant Street, to the corner lot now owned by T. R. Swartwout, on which the church building stood. Captain Grant was a Baptist, but gave this building for religious worship for no certain denomination. Sunday school and day school were also held here; the latter building stood near the site of the home now owned by Ed. Mayo, on Grant Street.

The committee advertised for teachers, among the first of whom was a Mr. Kidwell from Virginia, who boarded with the H. Krebs family. He came in 1852 and remained four years, his first pupils being from the Grant, Krebs, and Delmas families. Other pupils, who came from East side, Bayou Cassotte, and other districts, were from the families of Southern, Ladnier, Johnson, and Deas. The second teacher, a Mr. Wheeler, remained four years, and was succeeded by Mrs. Mars of Mobile, Alabama, who was teaching when the war started in 1860.

After the War between the States, Mary Louise Grant, who finished her education in Mobile, taught in this school, continuing for some years. Rachel B. Grant, educated in New Orleans, followed Mary Louise Grant. The exact date or reason for discontinuance of this school is not known, but the buildings were torn down and the lumber used - new and first class - for homes. (1)

Mrs. Jennie Batiste conducted a private school in the old Batiste Home on Batiste Bayou and Pascagoula Bay Front for several years. Among the pupils who attended, about 1871, were Del and Lou Greiner, and Mary and Lena Hall. Mrs. Batiste discontinued her classes to become the first teacher at the Beach school, but as soon as the four months session was over, she re-opened the private school in her home. (2)

In 1873, C. H. Alley provided a private teacher, Miss Axlene McKay, of Moss Point, for his three children, Lizzie, Jennie, Robert, and two nieces,

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- (1) Mrs. Anais (Krebs) Walker, Pascagoula, Miss.
(2) Mrs. N. Saucier, Pascagoula, Miss.

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JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT GRAVELINE
A REMARKABLE MAN

Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline, the third child of Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline and Mathurine Juillet, was baptized on 18 May 1671 in Montreal, Canada. His godparents were Charles Juillet, as proxy for Mr. Jean Baptiste LeGardeur, Ecuyer St. D'Arpentigny, and Dame Widow Louise Bisso, wife of the nobleman, Seraphim de la Talhvu, Lieutenant of the Company of Mr. Du Gu.¹

Jean Baptiste apparently inherited the spirit of adventure from his father, Urbain, and his maternal grandfather, Blaise Juillet. As a young man, he courageously risked his life many times ". . . for the service of his Majesty, first in the expeditions in which he took part in Canada against the Iroquois, where he always distinguished himself, as well as in the journeys that were made there by sea to take Hudson's Bay and ravage the coasts of Newfoundland...."²

In 1699 Jean Baptiste was one of sixty Canadians who sailed from New Foundland to Rochefort, France with Serigny. By orders of Pontchartrain, the hardy Canadians awaited the return of Pierre Le Moyne d'Iberville. If Iberville's expedition were successful, the men would be ready for Iberville's second voyage to the new French colony of Louisiana. It did succeed, and they embarked on the LA RENOMMEE from La Rochelle in October 1699, reaching Fort Maurepas on 8 January 1700.

Jean Baptiste remained at Fort Maurepas until the capital was moved in 1702 to a site on the Mobile River, where he then lived at Fort Louis for a time.

Jean Baptiste was the father of two children, their mother being an Indian woman. The parentage of a girl, Magdeleine, and a boy, Jean Baptiste II, is documented, although the exact years of their births have yet to be determined. It is not a proven fact that they had the same mother, but very likely.

Exciting ventures filled the next decade of Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline's life. In a letter to Maurepas in 1748, Governor Vaudreuil wrote of Graveline, he ".... came here for the settlement of this colony, at which he has always worked steadily, both by the frequent voyages which he has made to France to contract for and conduct people here and by the voyages he has made to Vera Cruz and Havana in order to open a commerce there and to have transported to this country the first purebred horned livestock seen here...."³

On one of his trips to France, Graveline married Suzanne.⁴ In October 1713, Suzanne died while they were living on Dauphin Island.

In 1716 Graveline, together with a group of his Canadian friends, formed a commercial company, leaving Mobile on 10 October with Spain's New Kingdom of Leon as their goal. It was a challenging journey into a territory which was sprinkled with missions, friendly and unfriendly Indians. At one point in

Texas, the French enterprisers were attacked by sixty Indians, who took thirty-three of their mules along with the belongings of the men, and a Spanish mulatress. Eventually, Graveline arrived back in Mobile on 25 October 1717.⁵

By 1718 Graveline had settled on the west side of the Pascagoula River. With the help of Indian and Negro slaves, he farmed and raised cattle on his river plantation, a beautiful place for his children to spend their childhood.

Graveline was not only the ambitious and adventurous man as seen by many historians, but as Governor Vaudreuil personally observed, "... he was one of the most opulent and where by his generosity in assisting all those who asked it of him has merited the esteem and the protection of all decent men ...".⁶

In the 1740's Graveline married his third wife, Martha LaVergne, who was deceased by 1747.⁷

Graveline lost his sight in the 1750's, but not before he unselfishly rendered exceptional service to France. Governor Vaudreuil praised him to Maurepas, saying that he had distinguished himself "... since he has been in Louisiana in the difficult journeys that he has undertaken, both to manage certain Indian nations for us and to suppress the insolence of several others, having marched against them at the head of the militia, of which he is the oldest captain, whenever we have formed an army to fight them."⁸

A will was written by Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline in 1750.⁹ Eighty years of age at the time, Graveline's tiredness reveals itself, as well as many emotions which can be noted in the words of this good old man. There was despair in his heart regarding his only son, whom he had done so much for over the years. There was also anger with a tinge of bitterness. In past years Graveline had been very compassionate towards his son, aiding him financially, and pleading his cause whenever he was in trouble.

(Translation of will has been copied exactly as found in the Archives.)
This sixteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred and fifty Before the Royal notary of the Province of Louisiana dwelling in New Orleans and in presence of the undersigned witnesses personally appeared John Baptist Baudreaux of Graveline generally residing at a place called "la Bellefontaine" at old Beloxy, who has declared & Said that he is come here expressly to arrange & finally adjust his affairs temporal as well spiritual, having appear'd to us this day in good health & enjoying sound mind & memory being nine O'Clock in the morning & he was of a very advanced age, that fearing to be overtaken by death in (xxx paper worn out) remote from all assistance he wou'd wish to put in order a sufficient portion of his wor'dly affairs whilst he is of sound mind, he has said & declared to us that he is born in Montreal in Canada & that he is in this Colony since the year one thousand Seven hundred, that he came to this Colony with Mr. Biberville & that he believes that out of a hundred who came with him he is the only living person; that having had carnal communication with a Squaw of the Indian Nation (a daughter of a great Chief) he had a son who is about thirty of age at this present time which compelled him under this consideration to marry the Said Squaw (or Indian Woman) in presence of our Mother the Roman Catholic & Apostolic holy Church as acting the

part of a true Christian with the intention of doing a good part to his Son (paper worn) named John Baudreaux, but that the severe language & bad conduct which his Son has this day shewn to him, he is under the necessity of disinheriting him, having even attempted his life many times by putting his fist upon his throat, threatening to kill him, & other menaces calling him an old Buggar & only seeking daily his destruction & all his aim tending to his total ruin as he has done to the present time, having render'd him considerable injury, being vex'd to see him yet on this earth to be able to enjoy & consume the little property which remains out of the unfortunate wreck which he has prevented him consuming, that as he has a God-Son named John Baptist Brasillier Son of Bayou of St. John to him he has infinite obligations, assisting him in all his necessities, & aiding him in everything, without whom he wou'd undergo a miserable death, having no other means than to stay with him as his unfortunate Son never comes to his house but to pillage him & threaten his life which compels him this day (not wishing to place his unfortunate Son in the hands of Justice as he cou'd do) to abjure him as his Son-he wishes & desires that the said Brazillier Junior, his God-Son be & remain his general Legatee & enjoy generally all his property that he may have either in this Colony or elsewhere without (for sufficient reasons) the said John Beaudreaux interfering in any manner whatever, looking upon him as a miserable wretch who does not deserve all the property that he has made for him since he came into the world no more than his wife who has ill treated him & does daily misuse when she has an opportunity of doing it-both of them are unnatural & without any Sentiment of Christianity-breaking & annulling by the present all other Wills or Codicils that he may have before made, wishing & desiring that the present only remain in force notwithstanding the want of formality which might be requir'd in regard to the disinheriting of the said John Beaudreaux wishing for this reason that the present be in the place of a declaration in justice to the repugnance he feels in letting his said Son perish though unworthy of being such, leaving moreover to God the Father Almighty to punish him according to his merits of Divine Providence does not his conscience beseeching the Lord to be pleased to convert him without which he will despair of his coming to a good end, That as he has before made some Gifts in writing, he declares them null, & void, that it was piece of weakness on his part to sign deeds of gift, & he desires that the present instrument only remain to be executed according to its form & tenor, not regarding from henceforth the said John Baudreaux no more than his Wife & their Children but as a degenerate race, having never merited any of the attentions which he paid to them, whose names up to the present day only tended to his total ruin by the frequent pillage they made of him, & with which they never profited, occasioned by their great dissipation & especially Beaudreaux's who is confirmed in every vice & all Sorts of Debauchery as he is well known unfortunately for him by the whole Colony, begging besides of his General Legatee-in whose favor he bequeaths his property at his decease, & to pray to God for the repose of his Soul, which he leaves to his prudence & generosity whilst he knows his goodness which is all he has said & repeated after several amendments without wishing to increase or diminish anything, it being

his last Will & Testament which had been read to him in presence of Augustin Chantation Clerk of Lenormant, huissier audianier witnesses here dwelling & which he has read to them having well understood it & that it is his last will without making any alteration in it & has sign'd it as well as Beaudreaux. Chanlason Lenormant & the undersigned notary Renner Notary

End of Will

Seven years later, in 1757, Jean Baptiste II was put to death on the wheel by order of Governor Kerlerec.

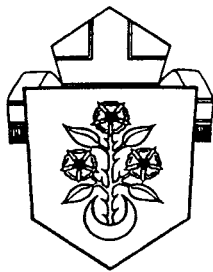
Even though Graveline used strong words in his will about Jean Baptiste II, for his son to come to such a tragic end must have been to him one of the saddest days in his long life.

Alas, Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline died about 1762, most likely on his Pascagoula River plantation. What a wonderful heritage he has bequeathed to his descendants. A remarkable man indeed!

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Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline was the grandfather of Catherine Louise Baudreau who married Joseph Bouzage.



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Mrs. Frances Ascroft

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Dear Frances,

I thank you for sending the copy of the marriage record of John Baptiste Boacheaux & Susanne, dated 3 July 1727. I examined the English language translations of Brother Leprie and even the original handwritten French records. There is a gap from 26 August 1726 to 25 February 1732 in both sets of records. The name of the priest Mathias is the same as the priest who was serving at the church at Fort Condé during that time period. I noticed on page two that the first page was a copy of the original record and, that the copy was transcribed on 28 January 1762. Unfortunately, in the Brother Leprie translations there is a gap between 21 December 1760 to 27 April 1762. I looked also in the book Love's Legacy and noted the same situations. In both Jacqueline Vidrine's book and Brother Leprie's translations there are several marriages that are out of chronological sequence. However, in neither work is the above mentioned marriage listed the index of either. I will try to think of something else or another location to research for that marriage.

Sincerely,
Richard Chastang
Archivist

A copy from the original marriage register of the Parish of Mobile. July 3, 1727.

I a Missionary Priest and Curate of Mobile in the course of my mission and within my jurisdiction on the river Capienne having accorded and dispensed the three banns by the authority which I had received from my Superior and Vicar General the Bishop of Quebec, have received the mutual consent of John Batiste Boudreaux of Graveline now a resident of Capienne, and of Susanne, an Indian, in the presence of John B. Boudreaux Jr. son of the contracting parties, aged ten years, is legitimized by this marriage. There being no objection made I have given them the nuptial blessings, ceremonies with the ordinary ceremonies of the Church.

The following persons witnesseth the said marriage,-

Pierre Baquet, Etienne du Chene, Charles Egron, D.A. La Motte and Joseph Bougron, Christian, who signed .
And P. Benard, of St. Lawrence, Louis Brasillier of Tourangeance, who made their marks. In faith of which I have signed the day and year above mentioned.

F.P. Mathias - Curate.

Boudreaux- The Indian Susanne's mark, X
Pierre Benard, his mark X
Louis Brasillier, his mark X
Pierre Baquet

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Boudreaux- Tho Indian Susanne's mark, X
Pierre Renault, his mark X
Louis Brasillier, his mark X
Pierre Baquet
Etienne Du Chene
Charles Egon
Pronquer Christian.

I a Capuchin Priest, and Missionary Apostle, now Curate of
Mobile, certify that the present is a true copy of the original.
having been copied word for word from the record. In faith of
which I have delivered it to serve the required will.

Mobile 28th of January 1762.

F. Ferdinand.

Curate.

P.S.

The J.B. Boudreaux who was ten years old when the above
marriage took place, married and had four children.
J.B. Boudreaux, my grandfather was one of them.

*In his will attached he states the son was a bout
30 yrs old in 1750*

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Alfreda died June 1975
(Translated by Mrs. Alfreda Dod Henry) Mar. 1975)

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Susanne

Submitted by Richard H. Allan III of Crozet, Virginia

WHAT WERE THE TRIBAL ORIGINS OF THIS ENIGMATIC INDIAN ANCESTOR?

Richard Allan speculates that Susanne, Indian wife of Jean-Baptiste Baudreau Graveline I, was a Hasenai "Great Chief's" daughter.

While slightly revising my *Anecdotal History of the Baudreau-Lewis Lord Family* over the past few months, I allowed myself time for further reverie and research into three Native American ancestors documented in the Baudreau line. We know them as:

- 1) Magdeline Pany (also called Ocqui)
- 2) "a Squaw of the Indian Nation" (at her marriage to Jean Baptiste Baudreau de Graveline [JB1, for short] she has the Christian name Susanne).
- 3) Susanne's father, "a great Chief [of the Indian Nation]"

In my revised book, I had included chapters on Colored Creole branches of our family, a review of Lewis family oral tradition regarding our descent from Matoaca, or Pocahontas (of the Powhatan tribe in Virginia), and a summary of my own grandmother's 1950's efforts to join our family in the Supreme Court suit for money allotments to descendents of stay-behind Choctaws, after that tribe's 1830's displacement to Oklahoma.

Why, I asked myself, should modern "Anglo-Americans" be so curious to connect themselves to our continent's

indigenous peoples? When I was a boy in Mobile and Pascagoula, it had been exciting to hear my grandfather Joe Neal tell about his North Georgia Cherokee roots. But not until my mother Eula Lee Neal's death in 2002 did I learn about our documented aboriginal antecedents.

Her trove of family notes led me to Randall Ladnier's (RL) incredible uncovering of the life of Jean Baptiste Baudreau II, the son of Jean Baptiste Baudreau de Graveline and Indian Susanne. They led me to conversations and correspondence with Barbara Jean McNamara (BJM), who generously shared with me her massive Genealogy of the Baudreau generations. The notes got me talking with my cousins Martha Lord Page (MLP) and Renee Gautier-Hague (RGH), two of our family's most indefatigable genealogical detectives.

I found myself captivated by JB2's life in two worlds, colonial French and Native American. In barely 39 years, this bi-racial ancestor was a cattle-trader, smuggler, selfless go-between with the Indians for French settlers; "kidnapper" of his lover Henriette Huet, prisoner, escapee among the Choctaw, divorced from his wife Marie Catherine, prisoner on Cat Island, escapee, and unjustly executed victim of draconian colonial anti-desertion policies. He was a

reckless Baudelaireque misfit who lived life large.

But back to my question: Why do some of us Gulf Coast colonial descendents identify with Indians? Maybe because our Canadian and French ancestors were similar misfits, and we wince to realize how the aborigines they encountered in the early 1700's, the talented original residents who befriended them and facilitated their survival, were themselves turned into expelled misfits, barely a century later.

I myself had led a misfit life: Gulf Coast boyhood, army officer, journalist, Vietnam tax refuser, blue collar worker, adventurer among the Indians of Ecuador and Mexico, lay brother with Mother Teresa's missionaries in Calcutta, and finally, a settled householder in the Blue Ridge mountains. So to celebrate JB2, in 2004 I decided to hike the lower 900 miles of the *Appalachian Trail* under the trail name "Baudreau from the Bayous."

While revising my book, I renewed my puzzling over JB2's mother, Susanne. All my genealogy collaborators named above had wondered who she was. I reviewed my notes:

From Barbara Jean McNamara's Genealogy of Baudreau de Graveline:

JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT3 GRAVELINE (URBAIN BAUDREAU DIT2, JEAN BAUDREAU DIT1) was born May 18, 1671 in Ville Marie, Montreal, Canada; and died January 1762 in Pascagoula, Louisiana Territory. He married (1) INDIENNE...The mother of Magdelaine, Graveline's daughter, was *Indienne* [an Indian woman]. She may have been a slave given to Graveline by one of the Choctaw tribes in the area. The marriage record between Magdelaine Baudreau and Pierre Pacquet dated 26 Aug 1726, states that Magdelaine is the NATURAL DAUGHTER of Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline and of an *Indienne*. The word *Indienne* (an Indian woman) seems to have been used in contrast to *sauvagesse* as a distinction of social class or to identify Christian Indians. [*Love's Legacy*, p. 53] Assuming that Magdelaine married at age 18, I have her birth year as c. 1708. Magdelaine apparently had been baptized, as she was married in the Church in 1726, but a baptism record for her has not been located.

Randall Ladnier had surmised to me that this *Indienne* wife was Magdeline Pany, a Chitimacha slave girl whom JB1 met and got with child on Dauphine Island. I had another note: c.1705- JB1 marries an Indian woman named Magdalen Pany, in Mobile; daughter Madeleine Baudreau born c. 1708. (*Descendants of URBAIN BAUDREAU dit GRAVELINE*)

Recently, Renee Gautier-Hague had written me from Pascagoula: The first Mobile census I'm copying is 1786, and it has a Ma Bodro, Widow, who is 80 years old! (Who would this be? Magdeline Baudrau Paquet's dates were 1711-1747). According to this census, Ma Bodro

has free-mulatto Edouard with her, and black Isabela...8 mulatto slaves, including four black males, 2 black females...250 corn barrels, one white child, and total in house 16. I wish you were here looking at this with me...its awesome. Pedro la Lancette & wife are in this census (Fayards),

Digging into histories of the regions which JB1 explored from Oct. 1716 to Oct. 1717, then, should give me a much more likely region where his son, JB2, was conceived. As I studied, I came to the conclusion, admittedly suppositional, that Jean Baptiste Baudreau II was the son of a Tejas-Hasenai Indian chief's daughter.

and the Kreps (Krebs) and Ladners, and a Ma. Gargaret, Widow who is 54. Is this Marie Martha Paquet Gargaret? She has a mulatto named Auguste, black Nanette, five white children.

Renee and I were certain she was holding a document showing that Magdeline Pany's daughter, born around 1708-1711, and known to have been a foremother of many Gulf Coast families, had been interviewed by a census-taker, who recorded "Ma Bodro" living comfortably on Dauphine Island to the ripe old age of 80, surrounded by slaves and other early coastal families. So maybe she did not die as early as 1747?

In any case, Indian ancestor #1 was documented. She appears to have fit in well!

Now I turned my attention to ancestors #2 & #3, Susanne, and her mysterious chiefly father.

Originally I had supposed this sec-

ond Indian wife of JB1 was daughter of a coastal Biloxi or Pascagoula chief, or daughter to one of the Creek or Choctaw leaders he would have met during his peltry trading, upcountry prior to 1716. Then a bonanza document brought Susanne into more focus.

In 2003, Martha Lord Page found a key document: According to the Marriage register, Parish of Mobile, Father Mathias joined JB1 and Susanne on July 3, 1727, to legitimize their son, JB2, who attended the wedding and was then 10 years old. This was critical information, since it established JB2's birth year as 1717.

An article by Marie Louise Adkinson (*Descendants Magazine*, Vol 6, No 1) suddenly got me thinking. It reported that on 10 Oct.

1716, JB1 had left Mobile overland to establish commerce with Mexico's "New Kingdom of Leon," encountering many trepidations and adventures, including one Indian attack, in Texas. He returned Mobile Oct 25, 1717.

If JB2 had been the child of a local Indian woman, I reasoned, he would have to be conceived before Oct. 10, 1716, when JB1 left the Mobile area for twelve and one half months. But for JB2 to be 10 years old on July 3, 1717, he must have been conceived on or after November 3, 1716, namely three weeks after his father left home on an arduous journey.

Here's my reasoning:

We start with the dates of the Jean Baptiste Baudrau de Graveline/Louis Juchereau de St. Denys overland expedition from Mobile to a region probably near Monterrey, Mexico. This roundtrip of between 1200 and up to 2000 mostly unexplored miles occurred from Oct. 10, 1716 to Oct. 25, 1717. (It prefigured by nearly 85

years the famous Lewis & Clark western journey.)

The route of this year-long trip, using present-day place names, was from Mobile to Natchitoches LA, to Nacodoches TX, and thence across southwest Texas in an arc to Eagle Pass TX. Just across the Rio Grande - or Rio Bravo - was the Spanish presidio of San Juan Bautista (SJB, Mex.). From there, documents tell us, St. Denys, at least, continued on to Mexico City!

It is crucial to understand that Saint Denys had already journeyed once along this route. Between Nov. 1714 and fall, 1715, he had gone all the way to Mexico City, returned to San Juan Bautista, and there married the daughter of that presidio's commander. He also had become particularly respected among the Hasinai/Tejas Indians, a populous group of villages between the Trinity and Sabine Rivers. Foreseeing excellent trading opportunities with both these people and the Spanish, St. Denys had returned to Mobile in August 1716.

At this point, he recruited his close friend, JB1, to co-lead a return trading expedition. On October 10, they departed Mobile with 60,000 livres of merchandise and a long train of pack mules. By Jan. 21, 1717 they had returned to the Hasenai villages. Here they remained 2 months, resuming the journey toward San Juan Bautista, Mexico, on March 22.

I hypothesize that it was during this 2-month trading layover that Graveline (namely, our Jean Baptiste I) and his partner St. Denys encountered a friendly "great Chief of the Indian Nation."

The Hasenai had hugely welcomed St. Denys' earlier visit to them, since it was their first opportunity to acquire desirable French items of trade. It is logical that St. Denys,

from this previous 1715 stay with the tribe, already knew the tribe's "Great Chief." Since it was typical for Indian maidens to be offered as sexual partners to Europeans, it takes no great leap to speculate that in early 1717, this chief proudly would offer his daughter to the partner of his old friend St. Denys (who was already a married man).

Just as Indian maid Sacagawea (who was with child!) was the crucial guide-woman for Lewis & Clark, could not the 13 to 15-year-old girl "Susanne," a chief's daughter, have joined westward-exploring Graveline, at this point en route, as his guide-consort? She would then have returned with him to Pascagoula to bear the son they conceived during the expedition. His parents' marriage certificate indicates that JB2 was born in 1717. This is thus a solution to Susanne's origins that makes good sense.

Were the Hasenai Susanne's exact tribe? We can never know the answer for sure. But if we follow the Graveline/St. Denys route, the men spent their primary long respite, from January to March 1717, among the Hasenai. This was a confederacy of energetic farming tribes, who supplemented their diet by hunting. They were prodigious corn-growers, well organized, and also were known as Caddos, from the word for their local chieftains. But they were ruled over by a xenesi, or paramount chief. ["Tribes of the Southern Plains", *Time-Life Books*, 1995, pp. 27-31]

I find it significant that this tribal group was known to have a "paramount" or great chief, because Susanne's father is thus documented to us, in JB1's Will dated 1750. It is this xenesi whom I imagine offering his daughter to JB1. Their son, JB2, would be conceived in this 2-month winter rest up from rigors of the trail.

Conception would have occurred in November-December of 1717, making the boy almost 10 by July 1727.

JB2 could have been conceived later in the journey as well. But JB1 could not likely have left a child in utero back in Pascagoula during this time; he was away for over a year. With his biracial parentage, I sense that, growing up on the Gulf Coast, Jean Baptiste II would have been raised into both French and Indian cultures simultaneously. He would be well prepared, as depicted by history, both to speak Native languages and be an expert woodsman, yet also live part of his life in a fine New Orleans home.

In summary, I believe Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline was a man with three wives, (Magdelein Pany, French Marie Marthe Lavergne [no issue], and Susanne, our Indian Susanne). He fathered two known children, Magdelen Pany and Jean Baptiste II. I speculate that Susanne was a Hasenai "great Chief's" daughter.



[My sources regarding the Graveline/St. Denys expedition are Bernard de la Harpe's *The Historical Journal of the Establishment of the French in Louisiana*, pp 70-75, and the very valuable 2d edition of *Storms Brewed in Other Men's Worlds*, Ch. 5, by E. A. H. John. I recommend both to readers. The latter source, p. 204 & elsewhere, reports that "all the villagers" of the Hasenai, and of other tribes of this era in Texas, regularly ate their hostile captives. If my hypothesis about Susanne's origin is correct, this tells us as a girl she sometimes may have engaged in cannibalism!]